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### Christmas 1973

by The Rt. Rev. John E. Hines  
Presiding Bishop

Christmas is the story of the diversity of peoples who took God seriously—and the pathos of those who did not. It may not be as simple to distinguish between these people today as it is in reflection from the vantage-point of nineteen hundred years. But the thesis of the Christmas story is the same today as it was then: it is not only the good who take God seriously, and it is not only the wicked who ignore Him.

The inn-keeper was one who was unable to take God seriously because he could not entertain the wildly impossible notion that God might be somehow mixed up in the inn-keeper's everyday business! It simply never crossed his mind that the "ultimate concern" might be inextricably intermingled with the routine, materialistic secular concerns. If God should come to his inn seeking food and shelter, he certainly would send plenty of advance warning, and appear in a royal coach. He didn't! A conscientious but unimaginative inn-keeper missed his major moment—and shunted the Lord of Life into the hay-barn! That took a lot of explaining when the inn-keeper met the angel at the Gate of Heaven.

The Wise Men took God seriously—because the talisman indicating God's advent was within the spectrum of their work-a-day world. They were astrologers—star-men! And it was their calling to read accurately the "signs of the times." To be sure, what they saw compelled them to an arduous and perilous journey. And their inexact science provided a nest of pitfalls for the unwary. They could have, with grace, remained at home—in their own land—leaving the prospect of the difficult journey to the younger, physically harder star-gazers. But they did not. They took God seriously! And they took the world seriously. They recognized a priceless treasure. And they recognized the existence of violent, self-serving powers that would have destroyed the treasure, and the star-men, too. So, they returned home another way. Devotion to God and prudence are not necessarily antithetical. That is why they are known as Wise Men.

And Herod took God seriously! Herod knew that if the tiny, newly-born spark of God's liberating judgment and forgiveness were permitted to expand into a flame—he and his kind were done for on this earth. For self-serving, naked power cannot stand before the terrible meekness of self-sacrificing love. Against the liberation that is love, tyranny is powerless. Yes, Herod took God seriously—and he took the lives of hundreds of innocents to prove that he did. But—in Christmas what do

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### New Marriage Law Stresses Counseling

Significant changes were made in the Church rules or canons which regulate marriages when General Convention met in Louisville this fall. The changes were so far reaching that they affect everyone desiring to be married in the Episcopal Church. This will include those getting married for the first time, as well as those who have been previously married outside the Church and those who are considering remarriage after divorce or annulment of a marriage.

Becoming effective November 1, 1973, some of the changes include change of the notice which must be given a clergyman before a contemplated marriage from three days to 30 days. This longer time allows for more adequate pre-marital counseling and applies to couples getting married for the first time as well as those entering a second or third marriage. This can be waived in certain situations if reported to the Bishop immediately.

Another change makes it possible for an Episcopal clergyman to officiate at the remarriage of two persons, either or both of whom have been divorced if he has counseled with them and decided that in his judgement the proposed union is a sound one

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Diocesan House starts celebrating the Joyous Occasion.



Associate Editors, Bill Hadden (left), Carol Hammond (center) and Nancy Duvall (right) discuss policy at Editor Workshop. The Rev. Tom Midyette was not available for photo.

### NEW STAFF BEGINS WORK EDITOR, ASSOCIATES NAMED

The Mission Herald staff is going co-ed! After many years of being edited by the Rev. Edward Small, now retired, and an interim period of being headed by the Rev. Thomas Midyette and the Diocesan House staff, a new editor and staff have been appointed. John D. Ashford, of Fayetteville, has been named editor and appointed to the Department of Communication and Stewardship. Mr. Ashford has named four associate editors, with a fifth to be appointed soon.

Mrs. Carol Hammond will cover the Wilmington area, as well as news pertaining to the Liturgical Commission and the Commission on Ministry. The Rev. Thomas Midyette's beat will be the New Bern—Beaufort area and the Departments of Finance and Stewardship. Mrs. Nancy Duvall will report on Fayetteville area developments, work of the Episcopal Churchwomen, and the Department of Christian Social Relations. Goldsboro to Greenville county will be covered by the Rev. William Hadden, who will also report on Christian Education Department doings. A fifth associate editor will handle news from the Murfreesboro to Nags Head section of the Diocese with department assignments as well. News in one of these areas should be sent to the appropriate person if possible.

Ashford owns an advertising and public relations agency in Fayetteville, where he is a member of Holy Trinity and chairman of the Every Member Canvass this year. He has served on the Vestry and as editor of a parish newspaper, and is presently on the Methodist College Foundation and the Board of Industrial Development for the Fayetteville area. Mrs. Hammond, wife of Philip Hammond, Wilmington

### Parents Versus Teenager ? Talkfest Set

Do you have teenagers with whom you would like to communicate more openly? A Parent's Conference has been scheduled for Friday, February 1-3, 1974 at Camp Leach to give you an opportunity to share the joys and apprehensions you may have as the parent of a teenager, and to investigate ways of improving communication in your family. Sponsored by the Division of Leadership Training, the conference will be limited to 12 couples, on a first come, first registered basis.

Cost of the weekend is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. A \$5 registration fee should be sent to the Rev. William Hadden, registrar, 503 E. Fifth St., Greenville, N.C., 27834, with checks made payable to Camp Leach Conference Center. Also needed will be linens, blankets, warm clothing, toilet articles and

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banker, has been active in civic affairs in her community. She is president of the Babies Hospital auxillary and on the board for Crisis, a telephone ministry. She is a member of St. John's Church, where she teaches ninth grade Sunday School. Mrs. Hammond has established "The Work Bench", a handicraft business, and is known for her artistic talent, as evidenced by the murals painted on the walls of the Babies Hospital.

Taking tour groups to Europe is the hobby of the Rev. Bill Hadden, Episcopal Chaplain at East Carolina University and until five years ago an ordained minister in the Christian Church. Hadden has extensive experience in writing as he served as writer of Sunday School material for the Christian Board of Publication, contributed a weekly column for seven years in the Nashville Tennessean, and has been published in The Christian and The Pulpit Digest. The Haddens, who live in Greenville, have two sons studying for the Episcopal ministry at Virginia Seminary and two other grown children. Mrs. Duvall, the wife of the Rev.

John Ashford  
Editor



Charles F. Duvall, rector of Holy Trinity, Fayetteville, has edited a monthly and now biweekly parish newsletter for the past three years. She teaches a fourth grade Sunday School class and serves on the Outreach Commission. She is a volunteer reading tutor in the public schools, and is an avid tennis player. The Duvalls have three children.

Mr. Midyette is rector of St. Paul's, Beaufort and headed the work last summer with runaway youths at Bogues Bank. He has served as chairman of the Communication and Stewardship Department of the Diocese during the past year. Midyette is a native of East Carolina and was president of the Episcopal Young Churchmen as a teenager. He has been an active leader at Camp Leach summer camps, and his art work appeared on the cover of the Stewardship booklet issued by the Diocese this fall.

# The Bishop's Bag



## DECISIONS OF GENERAL CONVENTION WHAT WILL THEY MEAN TO THIS DIOCESE?

In the forty-eight hours following the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, each person on the mailing list of The Mission Herald received the last issue of the Convention Daily Newspaper which gave a summary of the actions of the Convention. You have already had the opportunity to read and know of them.

I do want to make some comments on several of their actions as they apply to this Diocese and our people.

In today's world every leader in every field is always under surveillance and criticism. Certainly Bishop Hines has continually been in the public eye and mind. I am grateful for his prophetic witness and integrity. Now the leadership falls in 1974 to Bishop John Allin of Mississippi. I was in college at Sewanee with Bishop Allin over thirty years ago. He will bring to this office gifts complimentary to his predecessor. East Carolina will find him warm and friendly, seeking to unify and reconcile the Church. Our Diocese will not find him accepting a false harmony in the Church which ignores injustice and every controversial issue. We will not find him looking backward. He may be the more conservative of those nominated. And this may well be what our Church needs at this hour. His job is difficult. I hope your prayers will be joined with mine that Bishop Allin will lead us under God in that direction which is right.

Our Convention passed almost unanimously the continued trial use of the new Services. To many of us in East Carolina these Services have been very helpful. To others of us they have not been helpful. I concur emphatically with the action of our General Convention. If the Church of Jesus Christ is to be renewed, it must be renewed in worship. I am writing a letter to every Clergyman and Senior Warden asking their participation in 1974. I am convinced that if we sincerely and conscientiously use these Services, we will grow in that experience and we are able to pass on the results of our use to the Standing Liturgical Commission. Thus the individual Church Member in the pew will have more of a voice in any new Prayer Book. For about twenty years I have participated and been exposed to some of the trial uses. I can say truthfully and personally these have been helpful to me. The action of the Convention means the Diocese of East Carolina is asked to participate and use these Services with reverence, care, and sincerity.

In 1967 the General Conven-

tion under the leadership of Bishop Hines initiated a program called the General Convention Special Program. It sought to help the poor and oppressed in their effort to have a voice in their own future. Its aim was to empower. In this period approximately 250 grants have been made. In my opinion 90% of these grants were acceptable to all concerned. Approximately 10% were debated and questioned by many Episcopalians. Our recent Convention took action to continue these grants. Bishop Allin, following his election, commented he thought this course proper. East Carolina will continue to be a part of this endeavor. I believe our General Church under Bishop Allin's leadership will administer this Program with care and effectiveness. The Church of Jesus Christ has always been called to seek to help the poor. I believe East Carolinians are compassionate, and I have every expectation these grants will be administered fairly.

The decisions of our General Convention renew our call as Christian people. We are called by the Spirit of God to serve under God's direction. The Convention has reminded us God bestows courage and strength to those who heed His Call.

Faithfully,

Hunley Agee Elebash

## Bishop's Travels

- December 9 St. Paul's, Clinton
- St. John's, Wilmington
- December 11 Advisory Committee North Carolina Council of Churches
- December 12 St. Christopher's, Havelock
- December 16 Christ Church, Elizabeth City
- December 23 St. John's, Fayetteville
- December 24 Christmas Services
- December 27 Conference Seminary
- December 30 St. Paul's, Wilmington



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pillows. The conference will begin with a buffet supper between 6:30 - 8:30 P. M., Friday evening and end with 12:30 P. M. lunch on Sunday, February 3.

On the staff and directing the weekend will be the Rev. Charles Duvall, Mrs. Wendy Raynor, Mrs. Millie Voorhees and Mr. Hadden.

# An Editorial

This is the first editorial expression of the new editors of the Mission Herald. Four associate editors have accepted the responsibility of covering every geographical area in the Diocese as well as various Diocesan functions. You have placed communications as the top priority in a Diocese wide survey. Therefore our goal is not only to make this publication newsworthy but to also bring us all closer together as the Body of Christ, and to glorify Him. We are excited by this challenge and welcome your ideas and opinions on any subject that would be of general interest to all of us. Letters to the editor are one accepted way to express an opinion; however, you may choose to address them to a particular Diocesan department or committee through us or directly. The editors will also comment regularly on subjects and issues of general interest. These opinions will not necessarily be those of the Bishop or any Diocesan department that may be the subject of such an editorial. We will make mistakes, both in accuracy of our statements and in judgment in making them in the first place. But we do pledge our best efforts in making The Mission Herald an interesting, informative publication that communicates beyond the written word. We ask your prayers for wisdom and guidance to do His will.



## Picture Reflections on General Convention

BY THE REV. NATHANIEL HYNSON

I have just returned from the 64th General Convention of the Episcopal Church, which met in Louisville. I must say that this was one of the most exciting two weeks of my life. I have many vivid memories of the Convention and of Louisville which will always be a pleasure to recall.

The actual results of the Convention were accurately and completely summarized in the final edition of the Convention Daily. My response to the whole experience of being in Louisville is very personal. I know that it is affected by my own biases but I would like to share with you some feelings that I have as a result of attending the General Convention.

On Sunday, September 30, our deputation went to worship together at Christ Church Cathedral. The Cathedral was packed. The pews were jammed and the Congregation was in the aisles. Many didn't have seats and those in the aisles sat on the floor. Pretty soon someone in the pews got up and offered his hassock type kneeler to a person in the aisle, and then it spread throughout the church, people who had seats offering their kneelers to those who didn't. It reminded me of the feeding of the 5,000 and what might have happened to make those few loaves and fishes enough. It was a wonderful introduction for what followed: a prelude recital by a handbell choir from Haiti. Eight or ten Haitian boys, all of whom were blind and had to be led to their positions, played so beautifully together and evoked such strong emotion that I know that the service began with everyone fully aware of the presence of God and of His love for all sorts and conditions of men. Later, I watched a deaf priest deliver a magnificent address to the House of Deputies in sign language while his wife interpreted, speaking the words for those who could hear.

Another picture that is still quite clear is that of the Rt. Rev. John M. Allin, as he appeared before us after his election as Presiding Bishop had been confirmed by the House of Deputies. What I remember, however, is not so much how he looked, but what he said. He said quite simply: "My name is John...All I have to offer is myself." As he spoke these words I recalled some more familiar lines: "There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light."

Allow me to close with three comments about some feelings that I have as a result of attending General Convention. First, after being in Louisville with all who were there: clergy and laity, men, women,

and young people; those from Europe to the Philippines, from North to South America, from all over the world, I left with a greater appreciation for the wholeness of the Body of Christ and a keener awareness of the world wide fellowship of the Church than I have ever had before.

Secondly, I came away with a much greater appreciation for the tasks and problems that confront all persons who sit in Legislative bodies whatever and wherever these bodies may be. Finally, I want you to know that I feel very strongly that all of those assembled in Louisville, were trying honestly and prayerfully to discern and do the will of God and that He was working in and through the 64th General Convention of the Episcopal Church to further His purposes and to spread His Kingdom.



(Continued from page 1, Column 2) recognizing the Christian teachings concerning the life long nature of marriage. Permission must be granted by the Bishop, the clergyman must be willing to perform the ceremony, and one of the persons must be a baptized Christian. Of course, any divorces involved must be final. This change no longer requires the Bishop to make judgement on any previous marriage, but instead provides for recognition of the termination of any previous marriage.

All references have been dropped in the canon concerning discipline of those who marry or have been married outside the Church. Under the old rule, when a divorced Episcopalian remarried or an Episcopalian married a divorced person outside the Church, their membership was not in "good standing" until ruled so by the Bishop. Now all of these situations are to be handled pastorally by the local clergyman and the members involved. Anyone who wishes to be baptized or confirmed and who has been divorced and remarried may be received in their present situation with no questions asked or permission needed from the Bishop to clear his or her status.

These changes stress the pastoral approach on the local level (where the persons are better known than by the Bishop) to persons considering marriage or remarriage. They lay heavy stress on the importance of counseling as to the nature, meaning, and purpose of Holy Matrimony. They also place responsibility on the local clergyman to make decisions in every proposed marriage as to whether he will officiate or not.

## Coburn at General Convention PARISH CHURCH "MISH-MASH" TRANSFORMED BY CHRIST

One of the highlights of the General Convention, according to many of the delegates, was an address given to the Executive Council by the Rev. John B. Coburn, President of the House of Deputies. Following are some excerpts from that talk.

"I am asking you to think very simply about the church we know most intimately: that institutional church which has nourished us, given us hope; annoyed us, frustrated us and made us angry; helped us to know we are forgiven and reconciled to one another; given us the sacraments of grace and lifted us to see our homes in heaven.

I am pointing first to our own parish churches, their musty smell, and red carpets, with dead leaves never quite picked off, the red and blue Victorian windows, the search every fall for Church School teachers and the noise of the Church School pupils, the impossible music, the creaky voices, and the irascible organist, the head of the Altar Guild and the head of the Women of the Church, both speaking to each other, and their amazing devotion, faithful service and undying sacrifice; the interminable Vestry meetings and their obsession with budgets; the knitting groups, sewing groups and prayer groups, the children in the Primary class locked in the bathroom, kicking the doors during the quiet of Communion; and the smell of the gym after

Holy Rosary has beaten Holy Trinity; of the joyous celebration when a new Rector is installed (and sometimes even happier celebration when he leaves).

I am pointing to Hymn Books and Prayer Books, Green Books and countless Special Services. We are confused with the journeys of the altar travelling from east to west and back again, sometimes settling for a rest in the center of the church so that one day we celebrate facing each other and the following week we face the Rose Window and the next week the choir. One day we gaze at the face of the priest and the next at his back—and neither guarantees to elevate our spirit or prompt holy thoughts of God.

In our honest moments we confess that we make no great impact upon our communities. If our church disappeared, the community, the city would go on all right. We usually are more concerned about keeping our members even if they have to drive 20 miles a Sunday than we are about the kids around the corner who might come in every day. We are parochial, all right—both in the best sense of that word and the worst.

Yet this weak, batter, somewhat limited, sometimes sad parish church is where we were made members of Christ, where we take one another until death parts us, and where we commit unto the safe-keeping of God's eternal love those whom we love. It grounds us in Reality and says that Reality is God.

It's a real mish-mash. There is no crystal clear purity, quite a lot of darkness—shot through with grace. It is in those parish relationships where we have seen bitterness give way to gentleness, have had our sorrows turned into joy, have experienced pain transformed into power. Out of the depths of our hearts we have sung of the glory of God, and the songs of heaven have echoed in our church and in our hearts. We have known that no matter what, God is God—we are safe in Him and He wants us to count as Christian people in His world. That is why we are here: our love for this Church with all its imperfections.

## Clergy Kalidoscope in the Diocese

On November 1st the Rev. Lee McInerney, formerly of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, became Priest-In-Charge of St. George's, Lake Landing; Christ Church, Creswell; Galilee Mission, Lake Phelps, and St. Andrew's, Columbia. Mr. McInerney will reside in Engelhard.

On November 15th, the Rev. J. Garland Teasley became Rector of Trinity Church, Lumberton, after having been Rector of St. Thomas, Windsor, since 1968.

On November 22nd the Rev. Henry Witten moved into the Rectory at Seven Springs and assumed his duties as Rector of Holy Innocents, Route 4, Kinston. Mr. Witten for the past three years has been Director of College Relations and Development at St. Mary's College in Raleigh.

The Rev. Dr. Edwin E. Kirtton, rector of St. Mark's, Wilmington has been named chairman of the Board of Directors for Region "O" Family Resources, Inc. a newly formed group for family planning. Recently funded in excess of \$200,000 by HEW, the coordinating agency will work in Brunswick, New Hanover, Columbus and Pender Counties.

A Joyous procession from St. John's to St. Joseph's, followed by Evensong and an informal musicale marked the 100th anniversary of St. Joseph's, Fayetteville on November 18. The Rev. Albert Heath, rector announced that a Rectory Repair fund for needed improvements still "has a long way to go."

## What's In A Name YOU COULD WIN YOUR CHURCH A PRIZE

What's in a name? Most everything if it's a good name—that is, if it's appropriate for the object named and symbolizes its reason for being.

We're searching for a new name and a symbol (call it a logo) for The Mission Herald. High on the list of diocesan priorities last year was communication. We would like to use this name change as a symbol of a new era of heightened communication within the diocese.

So please, as a parish, send us your suggestions for a name and a logo for the masthead of our newspaper. These symbols may be drawn or described. Get in on this contest and give it some serious thought—encourage your youth to participate!

Send your entries to John D. Ashford, editor, The Mission Herald, P.O. Box 709 Fayetteville, N.C. 28302, by January 15, 1974. First prize is a framed studio portrait of our Bishop, the Right Reverend Hunley Elebash. You'll also get your picture in the February edition!

It has been pointed out that our diocesan publication has not always been called by that name. At one time it was known as The East Carolina News. Others have noted that the "Mission" in its title might have a double meaning with many more parishes now functioning in the Diocese than in the past. Or does mission mean the purpose of the Church? Can you think of a more effective way to refer to this tool whose main objective is to communicate the Gospel of Christ and to help us know and love one another better? Put on your thinking cap—"buy in" to this paper by participating in its naming.

## Delegates Feel Healing Spirit at Triennial

A healing flow of song which crept softly over those waiting to take Communion at the closing service of the Triennial Convention after bitter debate on abortion, the ordination of women and the future of Triennial itself was one of the lasting impression Mrs. Pattie Huttaff, East Carolina delegate, will remember for many years. "You could feel the Spirit of God," said Mrs. Huttaff.

"I was impressed with those women wanting to be ordained. It didn't have anything to do with women's lib," she said, referring to one of the most hotly contested issues of the General Convention and the Triennial meeting. Much time was spent debating the issue, with arguments on the pro side more numerous than those against, according to another delegate, Mrs. Dottie Moore of Guam, a former resident of East Carolina.

"I felt that the Triennial was too interested in voting on whether or not to dissolve and not realizing the potential force they had already," remarked Mrs. Moore.

On the issue of whether or not to continue meeting as a Triennial body, the vote was resounding to continue. "Everyone (women's groups throughout the Church) is having problems and there are many ways of being the Episcopal Church Women. If communication is good between the women and the parish, and parish and diocese, everything goes well if you are doing something," said Mrs. Huttaff.

Delegates felt a need to meet for inspiration on the national and international levels, and to allocate funds in the United Thank Offering, usually approved at this time. UTO grants numbered 87 and totaled over \$1 million this year.

The Rev. Clement Welsh, Warden of the College of Preachers, Bishop Bennett Sims of Atlanta, and Dr. Letty Russell, professor of Religious Studies, Manhattan College and New York Theological Seminary were keynoters to Triennial, Freedom was the theme, and each developed an aspect of it. Perhaps

Bishop Sims summed up the feeling of the women's meeting as he said, "Chosen freedom is what the Church of Jesus Christ proclaims as the Good News... to be human is to be in bondage except as we choose the glorious liberty of the children of God."

## CONVENTION POTPOURRI

History was made in Louisville, when General Convention delegate Wallace Murchison of East Carolina relinquished his seat for a day to Mrs. Grace Hancock, alternate. This was the first time a woman had sat as a delegate to the Convention from this Diocese. Mrs. Hancock had hoped to vote on the issue of ordination of women, but the question did not come to a vote on that day.

One of East Carolina's own was nominated for vice president of the House of Deputies at General Convention in Louisville last month. Walker Taylor of St. James's, Wilmington has served the Episcopal Church in many capacities, including that of liaison person between the Executive Council of the National Church and the Dioceses to further understanding of needs and priorities of each to the other. He now chairs a special committee on the Executive Council to examine stewardship and financing of the National Church.

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Presiding Bishop John Hines leads prayer at General Convention as Rev. John Coburn, President of the House of Deputies joins in.



Bishops Temple of South Carolina and Elebash of East Carolina confer at Conference.

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YOUTH TRY LEADERSHIP SKILLS AT CONFERENCE



Disorder was the order of the day (and so planned) when a group of 30 young persons and five adults gathered at Camp Leach Conference Center November 16-18 for a leadership training weekend. Upon arrival each person was given an assignment to cook supper, prepare rooms, unload groceries, etc. Leadership skills demonstrated were pointed out and evaluated in a later session.

Led by the Rev. Jesse Gaither, Youth Coordinator, Mrs. Wendy Raynor, his assistant and trainer, and the Rev. John Moulton, assistant rector of Holy Trinity, Fayetteville, the conference was sponsored by the Division of Youth of the Diocese. Aim was to try out and have exposure to some leadership skills in the context of a supportive community.

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Participants came from Goldsboro, Washington, Plymouth, New Bern, Kinston, Havelock, Fayetteville, and Greenville.

One of the highlights was a late hour question and answer period with in-depth questions of faith and values directed to Gaither and Moulton. Sunday worship involved the entire group, and a "gift of happiness" was given in the form of positive reinforcements to one another. Participants were taught the planning process needed to ensure sound learnings in programs given back home. Young people returned to their parishes with a renewed interest and sense of their leadership opportunities.



Kalidoscope in the Diocese

The Church of the Servant, Wilmington, has entered into a contract with an architect, John Jeffries, and expects to begin construction of a church building on their 3-acre lot on Oriole Drive in June, 1974.

Mrs. Dottie Moore, wife of the Rev. John T. Moore, recently ordained to the priesthood and serving as headmaster of St. John's School on Guam, was a delegate to Triennial Convention from the Diocese of Hawaii. The Moores were members of Holy Trinity, Fayetteville, several years ago while he was stationed there in the U.S. Army.

Diocesan Pledge Paid?

Sixteen churches in the Diocese have paid in full their pledges of support to diocesan programs for 1973. Twelve have paid nothing toward commitments they made. Is your church up to date on its pledge?

Those up to date as the Herald went to press were St. Mary's, Burgaw; Christ, Creswell; Christ, Elizabeth City; Good Shepherd, Fayetteville; St. Joseph's, Fayetteville; St. Stephen's, Goldsboro; Holy Innocents, Kinston; and St. George's, Lake Landing. Also, Galilee, Lake Phelps; All Souls, Northwest; St. Luke's, Roper; Calvary, Swanquarter; St. Philip's, Thomas Landing; St. Paul's, Washington; Zion, Washington; and Grace, Woodville.

Thompson Home Names Cottage For Bishop Wright

The opening of a new cottage for up to six emotionally disturbed children was announced in October by the Board of Managers of Thompson's Children's Home in Charlotte, N.C. Converted from the Campus Director's home, the new cottage will be named the "Bishop Wright Cottage" in honor of Thomas A. Wright, retired bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina.

The cottage marks a first attempt by Thompson's Home to help children diagnosed as emotionally disturbed in an intensive program of carefully designed psychiatric and therapeutic care. The program will be under the direction of John Y. Powell, ACSW, Director of the Home; William H. Gorman, MSE, Administrator of Program; and Dr. Douglas Powers, Psychiatric Consultant. Those eligible will include youngsters between the ages of six and eleven who are not considered psychotic or need extensive medication. General policy will be to have children stay in the cottage for one to two years with follow-up care and family counseling.

Children in the cottage will attend an on-campus school with highly individualized attention and special tutoring if needed, with the goal of returning them to public school at the end of their stay. The program will be a structured one with goals set as a cooperative effort and results reviewed each six months. Dr. Powers will see each child weekly and will be available to consult when needed.

Thompson's Children's Home is jointly owned by the five Episcopal Dioceses in North Carolina.

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Rev. Jess Gaither fields question from the Tom Bells at Youth Leadership Conference.

Oldest U.S. Layreader Dies



Perhaps in years of service the oldest layreader in the Episcopal Church in America, and certainly in the Diocese of East Carolina, Dr. Frank W. Avant of Wilmington died recently at the age of 98. He had served as a layreader under Bishops Strange, Darst, Wright and Elebash. He was a member of St. Mark's Church, where he had served in every capacity—from cleaning the yard, making a fire to heat the building, and as Senior Warden, conducting services when a priest was not available.

Dr. and Mrs. Avant conducted a Sunday School in the Brooklyn section of Wilmington, from which St. Mark's drew many boys and girls who grew up to serve the church in many ways. Dr. Avant was Dean of the Medical community of Wilmington and greatly loved and respected.

The Bible is full of the word "joy"; yet, I wonder if we adults do not have in-bred into us feelings and attitudes which make the Christian faith what we ought to do. If we do, no matter what the children are taught for one half hour on Sunday morning, they will catch from us the oughtness instead of the joyous "isness" of the Christian faith. This oughtness leads to guilt and feelings of separation from God rather than to really hearing the "Good News."

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people remember about Herod? Nothing! And about the baby whose life he sought unsuccessfully? Everything!

In taking God seriously you do not have to be grave and somber! You can be joyful, and merry, too. For that is the way God is! And that is the way the world can be—in Him.

1974 PROGRAM AND BUDGET PROCESS REPORT  
Summary of Views of 40 Churches

EXISTING PROGRAMS		1973 Budget	1974 Budget: Proposals by Number of Churches				
			Large Increase	Moderate Increase	No Change	Moderate Decrease	Large Decrease
A. Inside the Diocese							
1. Bishop, Exec. Secretary, Diocesan Office and Secretaries, Property Insurance		\$79,742	1	14	23	2	0
2. Dept. of Christian Education							
Youth Director and Youth Program		9,950	3	20	16	1	0
Education Office, Resources and Leadership Training		3,000	2	13	25	0	0
Camps and Conference Centers		7,300	2	14	22	2	0
3. Dept. of Missions							
Clergy Salaries, Housing and Travel,		74,700	3	29	8	0	0
Medical Insurance		11,500	0	1	39	0	0
Meetings		300	0	0	40	0	0
Capital Improvements		3,710	1	1	37	1	0
4. Dept. of Communications and Stewardship							
Staff Member, Office, Publications		10,000	1	7	27	5	0
5. Dept. of Christian Social Relations							
General Expense		500	4	3	32	1	0
REAL (Youth Counseling, Greenville)		1,000	1	10	27	2	0
6. Dept. of Finance							
Diocesan Convention Expense		3,750	0	0	39	1	0
Pension Supplements and Lay Pension Premiums		3,750	0	0	40	0	0
Travel for General Convention and Synod Dels.		1,500	0	1	38	1	0
7. College Commission, Including Chaplain at ECU		17,662	1	10	27	2	0
8. Commission on Ministry							
Theological Education – Seminarians		6,000	0	1	38	1	0
Continuing Education for Clergy		2,200	0	7	30	3	0
9. Liturgical Commission		500	0	1	32	4	3
B. Outside the Diocese							
10. General Church		73,333	0	1	12	17	10
11. Provincial Synod		727	0	0	38	2	0
12. Mutual Responsibility Commission		6,500	0	3	33	3	1
13. Kanuga, Hendersonville		1,000	2	13	25	0	0
14. Thompson Orphanage, Charlotte		1,000	7	17	16	0	0
15. St. Mary’s Junior College, Raleigh		1,000	6	11	23	0	0
16. St. Augustine’s College, Raleigh		1,000	4	13	23	0	0
17. University of South, Sewanee		1,000	3	11	26	0	0
18. Ecumenical Commission							
General Expense		500	0	0	37	1	2
North Carolina Council of Churches		1,000	0	0	34	4	2
19. Parish of the Air, Atlanta		150	0	2	38	0	0

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Wendy Raynor (above) Supervisor of Camp Leach Conference Center lends youth a helping hand. While The Rev. Jess Gaither (below) makes a point about youth ministry.

## New Diocesan Post: Gaither Heads Youth, Camps, Conferences

"As I begin this job I am looking for a focus for my work so that it will not be splintered and helter skelter. I believe I can find it in the liberation of human potential — so that men can be what God created them to be — and in finding out the natural depths of our created humanity we will encounter the God who moves in all the world," said the Rev. Jesse Gaither recently. Mr. Gaither is the newly appointed Assistant to the Bishop for Camps, Conferences, and Youth Ministry.

Working with this young man of many talents, who is wearing many hats in his new job, is Mrs. Wendy Raynor of Pinetown, Supervisor of the Camp Leach Conference Center. A trained Director of Christian Education, Mrs. Raynor will also work in the summers as Associate Manager of Camp Leach. All bookings for the Conference Center should be sent to her at Box 10, Pinetown, N. C. Others who will work closely with Mr. Gaither are the Rev. Jim Horton who is chairman of the Division of Camps and Conferences and the Rev. John Moulton, chairman of the Youth Ministry Task Force for the Department of Christian Education of the Diocese.

Mr. Gaither served as Priest-in-Charge of five small missions in Washington, Tyrell, and Hyde Counties in eastern North Carolina for two years before accepting this newly created job in the Diocese. He was educated at Harvard, serving as organist-choir-master of a church and singing with the Harvard Choir and Glee Club while at school. Going from there to The Church Divinity School of the Pacific, in California, for seminary training, Mr. Gaither spent an intern year abroad studying in Jerusalem and working on Clinical Pastoral Education at hospitals in New York City. After returning to East Carolina the 28 year old priest became chairman of the Youth Division now headed by Mr. Moulton.

"I am really enjoying my job. I think young people are so much

needed by the Church today. Not that they have all the answers or maturity, but because they are willing to ask the frightening questions, to put out on a quest for understanding and growth of which the Christian faith is all about, I believe," said the man responsible for the use, facilities, program and staff for Camp Leach, summer and winter, as well as Diocesan and local youth programs and leadership training.

Some of his plans for the spring include the formation of a Youth Council and Adult Advisory Board for the Diocese, a Youth Newsletter, and visits to parishes throughout the Diocese to tell them what will be happening at Camp Leach this summer. Mr. Gaither will lead a Junior High aged camp session featuring creative arts, as well as being manager. He will attend a workshop on design skills sponsored by the Mid Atlantic Training Committee in Richmond, and the Trinity Institute for further training later this month.

Mr. Gaither also works with the Liturgical Commission in the Diocese, and is interested in promoting a musical festival involving choirs sometime this spring. He is a member of The Minister, His Life and Work Committee. He and his wife Linda have a 21 month old daughter, Pailin. They live in Greenville where Mr. Gaither has an office in his home.

"I believe that there never has been a more interesting or potentially fruitful time to be at work in the Church. I rejoice at its amazing ability to change — even creakingly and with pain — to meet the new demands of the world. Jesus' good news is still

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The Rev. Jim Horton

## NEW ASSOCIATE EDITOR NAMED

John D. Ashford, editor of the Mission Herald, has announced the appointment of a fifth staff member for the newspaper. The Rev. James R. Horton of Williams- ton will report on news in the northeast section of the Diocese.

Rector of the Church of the Advent in Williamston, Mr. Horton also served as Assistant Rector of Christ Church, New Bern, and has recently been appointed Director of Camps and Conferences for the Diocese. He is also a member of the Minister, His Life and Work Committee and a member of the Executive Council for 1973-1975. Married to the former Lucy Duncan, Mr. Horton has been active in community affairs, both in New Bern and Williamston. He has served on the United Fund Board, the Martin County School Board committee on Family Life and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a graduate of Washington and Lee University and Virginia Theological Seminary.

Other staff members include the Rev. William Hadden of Greenville, Mrs. Philip Hammond of Wilmington, the Rev. Thomas Midyette of Beaufort, and Mrs. Charles Duvall of Fayetteville. Please contact one of these persons if you know of any news in your area.

## BISHOP URGES USE OF NEW TRIAL SERVICES

by The Rev. Webster L. Simons  
Chairman, Liturgical Commission

Early in November, sixty-six diocesan Liturgical chairmen met in Oklahoma City to consider how, in our individual dioceses, we might implement the actions taken by General Convention related to our worship. Recognizing that the General Convention had instructed the Standing Liturgical Committee to prepare a Draft Prayer Book, the conference discovered two immediate areas of concern.

First, it was felt that every congregation should have the best possible preparation for and trial use of those portions of the proposed worship services which were radically changed by General Convention or which were recently completed. These are Holy Baptism, Confirmation, and the completed translation of the Psalter. To help us in understanding of the proposed services and to work with us on introduction and study and use of them, there were present the Rev. Dr. David B. Stevick, professor of Liturgics at the Philadelphia Divinity School and author of the Supplement for Prayer Book Studies 26 ("Holy Baptism") and Bishop Chilton Powell of Oklahoma, Chairman of the Standing Liturgical Commission.

Our East Carolina Liturgical Commission plans to hold study sessions as soon as materials are available in order to help us see some of the possibilities, not only of initiation, but of dedication, for us all through these services. In the past twenty years a whole new emphasis on Baptism has been rather generally practised in the Church. These services of Initiation are natural results of those developments.

Secondly, our concern in Oklahoma City related to a continued emphasis on the worship services of the trial use collection in order to assist the Church in making the transition to the Proposed Revised Prayer Book the General Convention has requested. To help us in this area we met with the Rev. Canon Charles Guilbert, Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer; the Rev. Leo Malarian, Co-ordinator for Prayer Book Revision; the Rev. Reed Issac of the Seabury Press; the Rev. Boone Porter of the Associated Parishes; Archdeacon Fred Williams of the Music Commission; plus others. Your diocesan clergy knows that there will be two new publications available soon to assist in this worship emphasis. The Standing Liturgical Commission is publishing a booklet of the most often used services in trial use, together with the new Psalter and Lexicon.

## Protestant Hour Episcopal Series Begins This Month

Beginning January 6 and continuing through Easter Day, the 15 week Episcopal Series of the Protestant Hour will feature the Rev. Michael Marshall, vicar of All Saints Church, London. Father Marshall makes frequent appearances on British radio and television and as a preacher and lecturer in the United States. He is also an accomplished pianist and has performed with the London Symphony Orchestra.

Father Marshall says that in our pluralistic Western society the occult and the superstitious are for many people a kind of substitute for real living. He says, "Many people claim to know what God is like. They take out their identity kits and gradually create a God that conforms to their image of Him." He "dares" his listeners to look into the face of Jesus Christ to see what He tells us about the living God and His plan for the world and each person in it.

Broadcast on about 600 nationwide radio stations plus the Armed Services Network worldwide, the Episcopal Series is produced and distributed by the Parish of the Air of the Episcopal Radio-TV Foundation, Atlanta, an organization which relies entirely upon voluntary contributions. The Diocese of East Carolina has been a contributor for the past five years.

Fifteen stations in East Carolina will carry the programs at various times of the day. Consult local listings for your area.

Please submit your comments, ideas or articles to your Associate Editor or John Ashford, P. O. Box 709, Fayetteville, N. C. 28302. Letters to the Editor PLEASE!!

Your Diocesan Liturgical Commission is publishing a small booklet containing only the Daily Office and Holy Eucharist (second services) with limited choices of alternatives in order to assist congregations in an easier use of the services. It was hoped these would be distributed early in January, but printing problems have delayed this. Bishop Elebash has urged every congregation to use these services at least through Easter.

At a Conference of Diocesan Liturgical Chairmen held in Oklahoma during November the following resolution was passed:

*Be it resolved that in this time of ongoing trial use in preparation for the Draft Prayer Book, the Diocesan Liturgical Commission Chairmen meeting together in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma November 6-8, 1973, re-affirm our support for continued study and participation in the several rites authorized by General Convention; and we pledge ourselves to assist our Bishops in every way possible to carry out the trial use resolutions of General Convention, especially in preparation for and implementation of the new rites of Christian Initiation;*

*and, be it further resolved that this Conference urge the Bishops to use the proposed Initiation rites (PBS 26) at all visitations during 1974, and that parishes and missions be urged to present candidates for both Baptism and the Laying-on-of-Hands for these visitations so that the full rite may be used, including a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.*

*We further urge that a sense of celebration be encouraged in these services of Initiation to underscore the importance and joy of both the reception of new members into the Christian family, and also the visit of the Bishop to the congregation.*

# The Bishop's Bag



## ENERGY CRISIS OR MORAL CRISIS?

The last several months have brought a new dilemma to all of us in East Carolina as well as to Christians over the entire globe. What shall we do about the energy shortage? As of this date, we do not know about the severity and duration of it. But it is absolutely clear (as of now) that we will be forced to make adjustments in our life style.

In my opinion, the short term path of Christian people will call for us to use less energy. I trust all of us will voluntarily, willingly and quickly comply with the suggestions of our government and the energy industry. Lowering thermostats, using less electricity, and less driving at lower speeds are right and necessary.

For the long term, it is my belief Christians will continue the above, but more is necessary. We must see that our way of life does not dissipate nor destroy the natural resources and energy of this globe in such a way that generations born or unborn cannot live as God has intended. Christians will vary on how the energy available will be distributed. But we must see that it will be fair and for the benefit of all mankind, and not for only a limited few, whoever they may be. Christians will support scientific discovery, research, and knowledge about existing energy and new possible energy because we know it is God's Creation and we are called to be Good Stewards.

As I write this article, my office is sixty-eight degrees. Our house is also set on sixty-eight degrees. In recent Visitations I have found all of our Churches and Parish Halls are complying with the existing voluntary controls. As Bishop I will seek to make only those trips which are absolutely necessary, and already Mr. Jeffress and I have "car pooled" on occasions. I know others will do this also. We will seek to schedule only those meetings which are necessary.

Before the crisis is over, adjustments may not be easy. Some jobs will be in jeopardy or lost. Some will have reduced income. But beneath it all, I am convinced that this good earth will sustain us as a people if we will use wisely the resources God has given us.

It is too early to say, but all of this may be a blessing. There is no real reason why the Churches of Jesus Christ and the Cause of Jesus Christ should decline or fall because of reduced energy. The energy crisis may challenge us or bring us to our senses. There may be legislative and economic battles over the energy supply. We pray that there will be no more military battles. But the real battles are in the human heart. Here the battle and crisis is won or lost.

Sincerely,  
Hunley Agee Elebash

## Bishop's Travels

- Jan. 9 Meeting in New York of  
- 10 twelve Bishops to consult  
with Vice President, De-  
velopment of the Epis-  
copal Church
- Jan. 13 Calvary, Swanquarter, 11  
A.M.  
St. Thomas, Bath, 5 P.M.
- Jan. 20 St. Mary's, Kinston
- Jan. 24 10 A.M. District Church-  
women, St. John's, Wil-  
mington
- Jan. 27 St. Joseph's, Fayetteville
- Jan. 28- Trinity Institute, New  
Feb. 1 York
- Feb. 3 Grace Church, Plymouth;  
St. Luke's, Roper
- Feb. 5 Executive Council of Di-  
ocese, 10:30 A.M. Dio-  
cesan House, Wilmington
- Feb. 10 St. Francis, Goldsboro
- Feb. 17 St. Thomas, Ahoskie
- March Diocesan Convention, 11  
1 & 2 A.M., East Carolina Uni-  
versity. Host: St. Paul's,  
Greenville.

## Diocese

### Sets Minimum 27% Outside Giving

The Executive Council of the Diocese of East Carolina has adopted a resolution to maintain the level of giving of funds outside the Diocese to no lower than 27% in 1974. The Finance Committee will be under commitment in drawing up the new budget to maintain the level of funds spent outside the Diocese to at least as high as in 1973.

On two occasions the Diocese has adopted a policy of 50-50 giving as a goal. In 1969 the percentage began to drop from a high of 31% (the nearest the Diocese has



## LENTEN OFFERING GOES TO P.B. FUND

Has your parish ordered its Mite Boxes yet? This year the Lenten Offering from the Diocese of East Carolina will be sent to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. Money collected in individual boxes by children as a Lenten offering and by adults should be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer, 305 S. Third St., Wilmington, N. C. 28401.

For the past several years the Diocesan Lenten Offering has gone to projects in Melanesia and the Windward Islands. Last year money was sent to Melanesia for use by the new Bishop in the New Hebrides Islands for construction needs.

### MISSION HERALD DEADLINE FEB. 2

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gotten toward its stated goal), to 27% in 1973. Perhaps this action will signal a new beginning toward attaining the stated goal.

# Kalidoscope

Mrs. George Frank Hill, wife of the Rev. Hill, of Elizabeth City, died on Saturday, December 29, 1973, and was buried on Monday, December 31. The Hills have lived in Elizabeth City for many years, as Mr. Hill was the Rector of Christ Church for 30 or 40 years before his retirement 15 years ago. Their many friends are saddened by Mrs. Hill's death.

On St. Thomas' Day, December 21, 1973, the Rev. Arthur Mackie observed the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood. The Rt. Rev. Hiram R. Hulse ordained Mr. Mackie at the request of Bishop Darst, at All Saints Church, Guantanamo, Cuba. Now retired, Mr. Mackie and his wife, Helen, live in Windsor, N. C. He is Priest-in-Charge of St. John the Evangelist in Edenton, N. C.

A conference, "The Charismatic Movement - Confusion or Blessing?" will be held at Washington National Cathedral on Friday, January 18, beginning at 8 P.M. and ending on January 19 at 4:30 P.M. Co-sponsors with the cathedral are the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington, the National Presbyterian Center and the Memorial United Methodist Church. The Rev. Dennis Bennett, well-known pioneering charismatic in the Episcopal Church will be one of the speakers. Further information may be obtained from the Rev. Canon Michael Hamilton, Washington Cathedral, telephone 202-966-3500.



## Getting The Herald?

If you are not receiving the Mission Herald, please inform your Parish and ask them to notify the Diocesan office. It would be appreciated if you would also notify the Diocesan office when your address changes.

## Bookcase

The parish church as a place and as a fellowship which looks to Jesus Christ as the link between God and man and between persons endures. The very state of many parish churches today may go a long way to explain the remarkable popularity and use of a ninety-six page manual which serves as the subject of this review. It is but one such manual in a series of twelve.

Jack Ormond

Celebration, A Mini Course In Christian Encounter, by Lyman Coleman, Creative Resources, a division of Word, Inc., Waco, Texas, 1972, pp96, \$2.50, is just one of Mr. Coleman's "Serendipity" Books. It, like the others, wins enthusiastic advocates in parishes in all parts of the Church Universal and from all ages - ninth graders to senior citizens. Part of the reason for this seems to be some of the assumptions behind this course. They are:

"God has made every individual a person of unique worth and has given him amazing gifts. Self-worth and personal awareness are best realized in a supportive community where each person is committed to the others. A certain amount of self-disclosure or history-giving is necessary before the supportive community can enable one another. The way to call forth the best in each other is by affirming each other's strengths, not by pointing out each other's faults. Jesus Christ is the link between God and man, and between men. The Holy Spirit is the enabling presence of God which energizes man's spiritual life. Celebration is the natural result when love, trust and acceptance are expressed by a community of people committed to Jesus Christ and one another."

Those taking part in this course are pointed toward three goals. The first is offered help in exploring one's own inner resources - with other people who are doing the same thing. The second is one of bringing the participant into a supportive community of folk who are committed to one another and to some life together. The third goal offered is the furthering of one's spiritual growth in Christ through personal study and depth-sharing in small group encounters.

The Course is very simply arranged and structured. Explanations are detailed and exact. The use of color is extraordinary. The heart of the course has three chambers called "tracts". Each tract has six sessions which can be weekly or perhaps twice weekly depending upon desire or need.

# An Editorial

## EDITOR'S NOTE:

*The Bishop and the Editor both chose the energy crisis independently as the subject for their comments, and although there is some duplication of ideas, we both thought the subject was important enough for comment by both of us.*

## AN EDITORIAL ON THE ENERGY CRISIS

There continues to be much confusion for all of us about the extent of the effects of the current energy crisis on our family comfort and well being and on our personal economic situations. We are quick to place blame on "them", with some justification. We are appalled by the apparent lack of leadership at the national level by the Administration and the Congress, both of whom seem to be blaming each other. We are angry at the political blackmail tactics of the Arabs in using the oil embargo to reclaim territories taken by the Israelis. We shudder at the thought of committing American lives anew to protect Israel's claims and to assure America's position of strength diplomatically. But, regardless of who is to blame, or of the outcome, there seems to be little question that we will all suffer, as many already have. All of us will be forced to make adjustments. True, the adjustments and suffering of the poor may be more dramatic . . . less food, fuel and money. For the rich or affluent, however, the adjustments may well be traumatic experiences. No plane schedules to their twice a year European holiday, not enough gasoline for their deluxe limosines, and not enough fuel to maintain the toasty warmth they've come to take for granted will be bad enough, but the economic consequences could be disastrous for many.

If you've gotten this far, you're probably asking, "So, what else is new? We've heard enough of the same conflicting bad news on TV or in the newspaper."

The point is we feel that there could be some very real good to come out of this situation. As Christians we implore God "not to bring us to the test." But, Praise the Lord for being able to work through all things. Perhaps His plan is to teach us the meaning of self denial as the only real way to respond to Jesus' love for us. And in denying self we strengthen the bonds of love with our families, friends and neighbors. He may also be teaching us the meaning of humility. It's a word we affluent Americans, except for those old enough to have struggled through the Great Depression, can hardly identify with, even though we profess during Communion that "We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs from under Thy table." Thank the Lord we don't have to be worthy to receive the blessings of His salvation.

The energy crisis then can be a blessing. Perhaps as we all suffer some in various ways we can learn true humility through self denial. And by denying self in responding to Jesus' love, we will grow spiritually as well as in our love for our family, neighbors and the whole Body of Christ. As we suffer with Him, we express true love for each other. Love. Isn't that what Christianity is all about?

Tract one is called "Awareness Labs." This is a course in human relationships. It consists of some exercises in personal awareness in the interests of building better relationships between persons. Very simple and helpful concepts in behavioral psychology and group process are offered.

Tract two has the title of "Christ Encounters." It offers a series of reflection questionnaires and discussions to help the participant relate Scripture to personal experience. Again, helpful concepts in educational psychology, subjective Bible study and group process are the order of the day.

Tract three is called "Depth-Sharing Sessions." This is a course in Bible study for small groups, using Scripture passages which are in parallel with the themes of the "Awareness Lab" and "Christ Encounters."

Other plans for using in combination all three tracts or elected sessions from each tract are spelled out.

Perhaps the best adjective to describe the instructions to the course leader is "responsible." So far this reviewer has found the goals and the atmosphere created in "Celebration" attainable and helpful in parochial relationships and in assisting new people in the parish to become better oriented in the parochial family. Worship, designs and extra curricular activities are provided.

It is quite possible that the careful, deliberate and responsible  
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use of "Celebration" in a parochial setting can help to point out to one and all that the parish is different from the Boy Scouts, the Girl Scouts, the Country Club or the Civitan Club at its heart. Forgiveness, trust, acceptance are part of the "Celebration" concerns. Also included are some of those things which point to God in our lives which are often hidden in the groups of believers for whom the Church means so very much — and which meaning is difficult to express or state.

## JUNIOR HIGH CONFERENCE SET

For the first time in many years, there will be a special mid-winter offering at Camp Leach for the junior high youth groups of the Diocese. Designed for those in the 7th-9th grades, this conference will be led by the Rev. Jess Gaither, assistant to the Bishop for Camps and Conferences and Youth; the Rev. Gil Gilfillin, the Rev. Phil Purser, and Mrs. Wendy Raynor. It will focus on exploring the area of Christian identity in the world of the 70's — *who am I and what does it have to do with Jesus the Christ?*

There will be room at the conference, to be held at Camp Leach, for about 30 teens, with a limit of five from each church. Registrations should be sent to Mr. Gaither, 403 Eastern St., Greenville, N. C. no later than February 1. Cost will be \$10/ person and scholarships will be available. The weekend will open with supper on Friday and close with worship before lunch on Sunday morning.

A separate feature will be a meeting for advisors of the junior high age group on Saturday, February 9 from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Cost for the day will be \$5/ person. Advisors will meet with Mr. Gaither to reflect and reach new understandings of what it means to engage with youth in the Church. Adults are urged to come for the day if they cannot attend for the entire weekend. This meeting is being held for the first time in response to a need voiced by many in the Diocese.

More information can be obtained from Mr. Gaither at the above address or by telephone at 752-6373. Dates: February 8-10.

## TRY THIS

If you think it is hard to sit through a sermon, try preaching through one.  
If you think the pew is too hot, try the pulpit.  
If you think the singing is poor, try directing it yourself.  
If you think the teaching is not plain enough, try explaining the lesson yourself.  
You will be amazed at what you discover.

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The Rev. Joe Arps counsels St. Paul's parishioner Mrs. Edna Waldrop.

## St. Paul's Deacon Arps Says:

*"I'm exactly where I want to be."*

"This has been an exciting and most valuable six months for me," states the Rev. Joseph W. Arps, Jr., deacon and associate minister of St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

The soft spoken and gentle natured native of Plymouth describes his work as absorbing, but at times, overwhelming in its demands.

"I have felt that despite my inexperience in the ministry and my youth, that the people of St. Paul's have not only welcomed me into their parish life but accepted me as a part of their most intimate church family."

The young deacon confessed that while in seminary he had developed a feeling that there was a natural gulf between minister and people. "I have been amazed at the fact that I feel myself not at all alone in ministry. I feel supported by a parish who really back the clergy and each other in a common ministry."

In the New Testament church the deacon served the church by tending to her physical concerns as in the preparation of the Holy Table and finances. He was to relieve the presbyters or priests of these tasks in order that they might be freed to do the spiritual work of the parish. This is basically his function today. The young deacon serves under the guidance of the Bishop and priest for advice and counsel, as he moves toward his priesthood.

Joe works in happy association with the Rev. Lawrence P. Houston, rector of St. Paul's Church. "Pat and I have a genuinely shared ministry. I do not have a specific area of parish work. I assist Pat in the liturgies, in preaching, teaching, and visiting, church school, EYC and in the administration of the church."

St. Paul's is a liturgically active church averaging six services a week. Joe and Pat share these services and the preaching. According to canon, however, the deacon cannot celebrate the Eucharist nor can he perform other sacramental functions until priested.

"Preaching is one of the most enjoyable and satisfying parts of my work but, also by far, the most difficult. I'm fortunate in having the opportunity of working closely with my rector, himself a good preacher, who is a sympathetic critic."

Joe brings to his ministry a background that includes not only theological studies but several years of work, during college at UNC, as a hospital orderly and a year of teaching tenth grade in the Buxton High School on Cape Hatteras.

This year will be a big one for the twenty-six year old cleric. He will be married on January 8th to Miss Corabell Bennett at St. Alban's Church, Washington, D. C. Miss Bennett is a professional photographer and will set up a studio in Greenville.

In March Joe will be ordained priest at St. Paul's, Greenville, which will culminate his years of preparation for the work of the ministry.

"There was a time when I had some doubts about the viability of the parish ministry in today's world. I thought it was perhaps too much of a Sunday show. After these brief six months in the parish ministry, I have found my fear to have not only been wrong but quite the converse to be true. Joy, sorrow, life, death, success, failure and pain; that's what life is all about and the Christian ministry is right smack in the middle of it all."

*"I'm exactly where I want to be!"*

## What's Up

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| Jan. 15   | Commission on Ministry, 2:00 P.M., St. Mary's Church, Kinston.  |
| Jan. 19   | Camp Leach Committee, 10:30 A.M., Kinston.                      |
| Jan. 25   | Diocesan Finance Department, 3:00 P.M., Kinston.                |
| Jan. 29   | Diocesan Department of Christian Education, 2:00 P.M., Kinston. |
| Feb. 1-3  | Parent's Conference, 6:30 P.M., Camp Leach, Washington.         |
| Feb. 5    | Executive Council, 10:30 A.M., Diocesan House, Wilmington.      |
| Feb. 8-10 | Junior High Conference, Camp Leach, Washington.                 |

## Clergy Changes

The Rev. Ray Storie from St. Andrew's, Morehead City, to St. Paul's, Edenton. Mr. Storie and his family will move to Edenton in January 1974.

The Rev. William Deneke from Assistant Minister, St. Peter's Church, Washington, to Priest-in-Charge of St. Philip's, Southport. Mr. and Mrs. Deneke and their family will move in January or the first of February.

The Rev. Roscoe Hauser, Rector of St. John's, Fayetteville, has announced his resignation to be effective on July 1, 1974.

## MENTALLY RETARDED ASSISTED BY ADVENT WOMEN

The Women of the Church of the Advent, Williamston, have been working this Fall to assist in answering some of the human needs in the community. One specific project has generated great interest in the community.

The Martin County Developmental Center in Everetts, North Carolina is a school for mentally retarded children, ages five through eleven, living in Martin County. The Center developed under the auspices of the Martin County School Board, which devised the program, sought and obtained funds for the program from federal, state and local monies, and employed the personnel to staff the Center.

Mrs. Sandra Everett, Director of the Center, spoke to the Women of the Church of the Advent explaining the work of the center as well as listing some physical needs for the Center. Mrs. Everett stated several groups in Martin County were assisting to raise funds to buy a van that would transport the children to and from the Center as well as attempting to answer other financial needs.

The E.C.W. first gave fifty dollars to the Center which will supply snacks for the children during the next six months. The snacks are necessary not only for the nutrition of the children, but to meet standards outlined in the Federal and State grants to the Center. Mrs. Everett pointed out that snack time also provided the staff at the school an opportunity to assist the children to learn acceptable table manners.

The Women of the Church then decided to sponsor a Dessert-Bridge Benefit for the Developmental Center. The Benefit, held in the parish house, was a success and proceeds were used to obtain a Peabody Kit, an educational kit employed in teaching young children to become more aware of their world through the use of posters, color charts and musical instruments.

While the E.C.W. as an organization has been assisting the Developmental Center through financial offerings, several parishioners

have given clothing and bought shoes for the children at the Center.

During the past several weeks civic clubs in Williamston and Martin County have become active in assisting the Developmental Center to the extent that many of the physical needs of the Center are now being met.

## Camp Leach Needs Staff For Summer

The Rev. Jess Gaither, Assistant to the Bishop for Camps, Conferences and Youth, announces that he is interested in receiving applications for work at Camp Leach this summer, from qualified college age youth. He will also accept applications from mature senior-high students. The positions to be filled are: Waterfront Director, Counselors, Assistant Counselors and Dining Hall Assistant.

These are paid positions, with a commitment to be at Camp Leach from June 5th to August 22nd, although in some instances staff may arrive slightly later and leave earlier due to school scheduling. Interviews will be held and an application may be secured from Mr. Gaither, who will be at Camp Leach as manager this summer, by writing him at 403 Eastern Street, Greenville, N. C. 27834.

There is a particular need for experienced staff. As of now only a few of last year's staff have indicated they will be returning and help is needed from all church members in securing the most highly motivated and qualified staff we can for Camp this summer. Those with experience in other camping situations are particularly encouraged to apply.

Mr. Gaither hopes to be able to have his staff picked by Easter at the latest and the deadline for applications is March 1st. More information can be received from him by writing him at the above address or by phone at 752-6373.



Mrs. Robert Sibbett (right) presents award to Mrs. Small

## Mrs. Small Receives Service Award

The annual award for outstanding service to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wilmington, was presented Sunday, November 4, to Mrs. Edward T. Small.

Mrs. Robert Sibbett, president of the Parish Guild, presented the silver cup. A reception for the honoree followed in the Parish House.

The citation read in part: "Mary Matthews Small has served Good Shepherd Church in many capacities during the sixteen years of her residence in Wilmington. She served as organist for seven years and organized a junior choir which for years sang at the ceremony lighting the great municipal Christmas Tree. She has taught in vacation church school and at the summer camps of the Diocese. For four years she organized and directed the annual bazaar. For two years she served as president of the Homemakers Club. She served as church representative to the United Churchwomen, and as instructor in the work with exceptional children."



Archdeacon Derek A. Rawcliffe in Melanesia.

## New Bishop of Melanesia Consecrated

The Venerable Derek Alex Rawcliffe, Archdeacon of Southern Melanesia, who visited East Carolina in early 1971, will be consecrated a Bishop on January 25 at Lolowai, New Hebrides Islands.

Well known to members of East Carolina's 1969 Medical Team and 1970 Youth Work Group, Bishop Rawcliffe expects to revisit East Carolina, probably in September 1974. East Carolina's first MRI project in 1965 included funds for a staff house at Lolowai, where Archdeacon Rawcliffe has lived. The 1973 Lenten Offering of \$2,459.65 has been designated toward construction of additional office and living space for the Bishop of the New Hebrides.

If present plans materialize, in 1975 the Diocese of Melanesia will become an independent Province in the South Pacific, composed of four dioceses, three of which would be in the Solomon Islands and the fourth the New Hebrides. Until the Provincial change, Bishop Rawcliffe will serve as an Assistant Bishop of Melanesia in the New Hebrides Islands.

Archdeacon Rawcliffe was ordained in England in 1945 and has served in the Diocese of Melanesia since 1947. In the New Hebrides he has served on the governmental advisory council and has worked closely with the British and French governments there.

## New Name?

Now that Christmas is over, and before the new year rushes by, perhaps some of you will have a chance to help us find a new name for The Mission Herald. A few persons have responded to our plea for help in deciding on a name change, but for most, Christmas left little time for creativity. Deadline for the contest has been moved back to March 1. Curl up before the fire and put on your thinking cap, it'll keep your head warm and your blood circulating!

Remember that if your name and/or logo (masthead symbol) is chosen, your parish will receive a studio portrait of our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Hunley Elebash. We'd like to take your picture, also, for the March issue. Please send entries to John D. Ashford, Editor, The Mission Herald, P. O. Box 709, Fayetteville, N. C. 28302. Send as many as you'd like!

## NEW BUILDING, CASH DONATION ANNOUNCED

A gift of a church building and a cash donation of \$30,000 to the diocese was announced at the Department of Missions Meeting in St. Francis Church, Goldsboro, November 14.

The building was given by a Fayetteville developer. It contains some 3,000 feet of heated and air conditioned space. Tentative plans call for moving from its present location in the Bordeaux area to a site that has been owned by the diocese for several years.

The \$30,000 gift is from St. John's Church, Fayetteville. An estimated \$15,000 will be spent in moving the building 6 miles from its present site. The remaining \$15,000 will go for the new church's program.

Bishop Elebash in making the announcement stated that none of the plans for removal or use of the building have been finalized. The Department of Missions and the Fayetteville churches will continue their study of the project.

Members of the Department of Missions are: the Rev. Jack Ormond, Chairman, the Rev. Roscoe Hauser, Jr., the Rev. E. B. Jeffress, Jr., the Rev. Stanleigh Jenkins, Mrs. Jucille Gibson, Mr. Thomas Norfleet, Mrs. Pat Roleinson, Mr. Neal Stitt and Mrs. Willis Taylor. The Rev. Ben Wolverton and the Rev. Bill Hadden also attended.

## Teenagers Topic at Parent's Meet

This is your last chance to get in on the Parent's Conference to be held at Camp Leach Friday, February 1 through Sunday, February 3! The topic will be teenagers and how to communicate with them. Only 12 couples can be accommodated, and the cost is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. If only one parent is able to attend he may still register. Please send \$5 registration fee to the Rev. William Hadden, 503 E. Fifth St., Greenville, N. C. 27834, with checks made payable to Camp Leach Conference Center.

You will also need linens, blankets and warm, casual clothing for the weekend. A buffet supper will be served between 6:30 and 8:30 P. M. Friday evening to allow for late arrivals, and the Conference will end with lunch at 12:30 P. M. Sunday.

Leaders of the weekend will be the Rev. Charles F. Duvall, Mrs. Wendy Raynor, Mrs. Millie Voorhees, and Mr. Hadden.

## SEWANEE NAMES PROFESSOR OF CHRISTIAN ETHICS

Sewanee, Tenn. . . . The Rev. Dr. John M. Gessell has been appointed the first professor of Christian ethics at the School of Theology of the University of the South. Seeking to prepare its students for a strong, flexible parish ministry, the second year course on Christian ethics will aim to help priests identify the major problems their parishioners may have to deal with, such as social justice, marriage and divorce, drug use, honesty in government, etc. At present some 60 students are enrolled, including three women.

Dr. Gessell was formerly professor of pastoral theology. He is also adjunct professor of practical theology for Vanderbilt University, and has served as assistant to the dean of the Sewanee seminary and as director of the Graduate School of Theology in the summer of 1971.

## Churchwomen To Explore Service

Can Churchwomen in this day and age still be giving luncheons . . . or is there another dimension to volunteer service in the church? This is the sort of question that will be the focus of the Wilmington District Churchwomen's meeting at St. John's, Wilmington, on January 24.

The meeting will feature a panel discussion and workshop on what volunteers can do within their communities and, more specifically, within the church. In the morning, a panel of four speakers will discuss volunteer opportunities in the community (public schools, hospitals, drug programs, etc.). Bishop Elebash will share his ideas on significant and meaningful volunteer service in the church. Hopefully, he can help the women attending define priorities for church work.

In the afternoon, the Rev. William Gilfillin will conduct a workshop using information from the morning's discussions. This will be an opportunity for all the participants to exchange ideas, and perhaps to make some decisions. (One possible outcome of this meeting is that the women of the Wilmington District might decide on a joint project.) This workshop should give churchwomen from throughout the district valuable tools to use in evaluating services in their own communities. Participants will be prepared to go back into their individual parishes and make some decisions about what volunteer service will be most meaningful for them.

The schedule for the day:

9:30 Registration and Coffee  
10:00 Holy Communion  
11:00 Meeting in the Parish Hall

Lunch will be served at St. John's, and the meeting will be adjourned no later than 4:00.

## Arts Presented In The Church

On January 13, the Sewanee Players will present the Purple Masque productions of William Butler Yeats' *Purgatory* and Sam Shepard's *Red Cross* at St. James Episcopal Church, Wilmington, at 7:30.

On February 10, the choir from St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, an Episcopal-supported college for blacks, will perform at the 11:00 service at St. James. This group sang at the convention in Louisville, and drew rave notices!

St. James will hold a Folk Mass at the 11:00 service on Sunday, February 24, directed by the Rev. Charles Summers. Mr. Summers, a professional entertainer before he entered the ministry, has performed with Peter, Paul, and Mary and Chris Christopherson. He will be at St. James the entire weekend to help the congregation prepare for its Sunday Mass.



## NEW DIOCESAN POST:

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getting out. We must be careful not to stand in its way," stated the Bishop's Assistant.

Christian Education opportunities for parishes and missions in this Diocese through Mr. Gaither's work will be featured in an upcoming issue of The Mission Herald. Watch for them!

## TWO RECEIVE CONTINUING ED GRANTS

Two clergymen in the Diocese of East Carolina have been granted funds for continuing education by the Board for Theological Education (BTE) of the National Episcopal Church. Both men made application for these grants through The Minister, His Life and Work Committee of the Diocese, after determining what specific needs each had in his work.

The Rev. James Cooke, of St. Paul's, Clinton, has been given \$700 to be used in a parish oriented course in church management supervised through the Mid Atlantic Training Committee. Last summer the Rev. William Hadden, Episcopal chaplain at East Carolina University received \$1500 to visit and study college campus ministries in England.

During the first year of this program 155 bishops and other clergy pursued study projects, using funds provided through BTE and local dioceses or parishes. Funds are available for work in theological seminaries, colleges and universities, and study projects in a variety of training programs such as hospitals and conference centers. Applications for grants are submitted to the BTE by bishops and diocesan commissions on ministry after they have reviewed proposed clergy projects.

Many parishes and dioceses have also established programs of continuing education. The number of dioceses including budget items for this purpose has doubled in the past two years. For the parish or diocese with insufficient funds for this purpose, BTE provides an opportunity for growth and study for many ministers who otherwise would not have this chance.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son."

John 3:16

## WITHOUT NOTHING

Lord, what is man that thou art mindful of him or the son of man that thou visitest him?

What hath man deserved that thou shouldst grant him thy favor?

O Lord, what cause have I to complain if thou forsake me — or if thou do not that which I desire, what can I justly say against it?

Surely this I may truly think and say: Lord, I am nothing, I can do ever tend to nothing.

And unless thou help me and inwardly instruct me, I must become altogether lukewarm and careless.

But thou, O Lord, art always the same and endurest forever; always good, just, and holy; doing all things well, justly, and holily, and disposing all things with wisdom.

But I, that am more ready to go backward than forward, do not ever continue in one estate, for changes sevenfold pass over me.

Yet is it soon better with me when it so pleaseth thee and when thou vouchsafest to stretch forth thy helping hand; for thou alone canst help me without human aid, and canst so strengthen me that my countenance shall be no more changed, but my heart shall be turned to thee alone and be at rest. — Thomas a' Kempis

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The Rev. John Moulton, Staff Photographer for The Mission Herald depicts Christmas scenes including "Christ's Monograms" (Christ's Monograms) which adorned many church trees throughout the Diocese.



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## National Leaders to Speak During Lenten Services

The Wilmington Episcopal Development Committee has announced plans for a Lenten series which will include some of the leading personalities in the Episcopal Church. Each Wednesday during Lent invited speakers will participate in a noon-day service at St. James, as well as speak following a dinner at St. John's that evening. All Wilmington area parishes are participating in this exciting program.

Leading off the series will be the Rt. Rev. David S. Rose, Bishop of Southern Virginia, who will be in Wilmington on March 6th. He will be followed by Dr. Charles L. Winters, Jr., Professor of Theology at the University of the South in Seawee, and who was so well received at a recent diocesan Executive Council meeting.

On March 20th our Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. John E. Hines, will be in Wilmington for this Lenten series. The fourth participant will be Dr. Cynthia Wedel, former chairman of the National Council of Churches and an active leader in many Church organizations. The series will end on April 3rd when Dr. Clifford Morehouse, known and respected for many years as "Mr. Episcopalian", will be the speaker.

The noon-day services each Wednesday at St. James will begin at 12:15, and will be followed by a light sandwich lunch in the parish's Great Hall. Other parishes from around the diocese are certainly welcome to any of these Lenten services. The evening meetings, which will be held at St. John's, will require reservations from out of town since the seating will be more limited.

This is the second year in which the Wilmington Episcopal Development Committee has developed and organized joint Lenten observances with all the area parishes. In addition, they are also planning special Ash Wednesday and Good Friday services, as well as a service in the ruins of old St. Phillips, Brunswick, later in the spring. The Rev. Robert P. Royall is the current president of the Committee.

## Parents Conference Reset for May 10, 11

A Parents Conference scheduled for February 1-3 at Camp Leach was cancelled due to a lack of registrants. The conference has been reset for Mother's Day weekend, May 10 and 11, Friday night and Saturday, at Holy Trinity Church, for the Fayetteville area. Overnight housing will not be provided.

"The difficulty may be that persons in this Diocese (on the adult level) have not learned to think in terms of going to a conference at Camp Leach as individuals," said the Rev. Charles F. Duvall, one of the leaders. "We feel we have something to offer, and so we have rescheduled it on an area basis."

Other leaders will be the Rev. Bill Had-den, Mrs. Millie Voorhees, and Mrs. Wendy Raynor, assistant to the Rev. Jesse Gaither, head of the Division of Camps and Conferences.



Host Church, St. Paul's, Greenville

## Committee Studies Bogue Bank Use

What do you do if you are a young Marine far from home on a hot summer weekend? If you are lucky enough to be stationed at Cherry Point Air Station, N. C., you could drive to "Surf and Sand", a waterfront recreation facility between Emerald Isle and Pine Knoll Shores, near Beaufort.

Episcopalians know this property as Bogue Bank, or the Alice Hoffman property. It was left to the Diocese of East Carolina for use as a recreational and religious facility primarily for young people. Terms of the will prohibit its sale until the year 2004.

Since 1968 the Diocese has given the Marines license to use it for their "Surf and Sand" summer program running from May 1 through September, with various youth groups under their supervision spending weekend retreats there in the winter.

When the property was first acquired in 1949, several motel type units were placed there through the efforts of interested laymen. These were used for several summers by clergy families as vacation spots, but unfortunately were built behind sand dunes where no breezes blew and were never fully utilized. For a time the property was completely vacant until the agreement was reached with the Marines, who have air conditioned the buildings and built an elevated patio for recreational activities.

Under the chairmanship of Nelson Taylor of Beaufort, a committee has been looking into possible uses for the property. Meeting at Atlantic Beach in January, the group heard a report from Col. Don Crowe, USMC, Special Services officer in charge of Surf and Sand, and LTC Claude Marshall, USN, resident chaplain there last summer. Also appearing before the committee were representatives from a large corporation developing resort property adjacent to Bogue Bank. Another proposal heard was use of the site as a possible halfway house for first offenders convicted of drug use.

As a result of these presentations a subcommittee has been formed to study long range plans for this property and report its findings to the Executive Council of the Diocese. Members of the subcom-

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## GREENVILLE TO HOST CONVENTION AT ECU

The 1974 Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina will be unique in history in that it will have its sessions on the East Carolina University campus with almost all its programing and worship under one roof.

Tentative plans call for the official beginning of the convention Friday, March 1, at an 11:00 A.M. Holy Communion service with Bishop Hunley Elebash as celebrant. Registration and committee meeting time will be from 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.

Ted Gartman, general chairman of local planning for the convention stated, "Most of the worship, all of the general meetings and the meals will be in the South Cafeteria on the central mall at East Carolina University." There will be plenty of available parking and in the case of inclement weather, the delegates will not have to move for the various activities. Greenville has a more than adequate number of motels. Information and details for housing will be sent to churches and delegates in the near future.

The business of the convention will be conducted in the Friday afternoon and Saturday morning periods with early Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Saturday. The convention will close at noon Saturday.

Some of the activities being considered include a large hospitality room for delegates and visitors to gather in for refreshments, entertainment and conversation. The youth are talking about a special session for themselves late Friday night.

The Rev. Pat Houston, host rector explained, "We still have not finalized all our plans but we have an aggressive and capable committee of St. Paul's members working on the arrangements. It looks like it will be an extremely enjoyable time in fellowship as well as a profitable one for the diocese."

Workers on the planning committee include Gartman, general chairman; Carl and Ann Wade, registration; worship-music, Dr. Bob Irwin; worship, the Rev. Pat Houston and the Rev. Joe Arps. Physical arrangements for the Convention Center will be handled by Bob Messner with banquet arrangements by Mrs. Joe Davis and Mrs. Billy Jones.

Nominations for offices to be filled at the Diocesan Convention on March 1 and 2 should be sent to the Rev. James C. Cooke, Jr., P. O. Box 755, Clinton, N. C. 28328 prior to convention and after checking on eligibility and willingness to serve, or given to him in writing during the convention, or presented orally from the floor.

Offices to be voted on are treasurer, historiographer, members of the Standing Committee and the Executive Council. Also, trustees of the Diocese, delegates and alternates to the Provincial Synod and positions on the Board of Managers, Thompson Children's Home and the University of the South.



The Rev. Pat Houston, host rector

## Holy Trinity to Give Theological Education Gift

Tired of only hearing about theological education and not really understanding what it might entail, the Outreach Commission of Holy Trinity Church, Fayetteville, is sponsoring a weekend of theological learning for the community. The Rev. Jeffery W. Rowthorn, Associate Professor of Worship at Yale Divinity School will conduct a workshop at Holy Trinity on February 15-17, ending the parish experience with a service designed by participants for Sunday morning. At that time a special offering will be taken to benefit Virginia and Union Theological Seminaries.

Also a member of the faculty of the Yale Institute of Sacred Music, Mr. Rowthorn is a specialist in the fields of liturgy and worship. On Friday evening, February 15 at 7:30 P.M. he will present a comparison of 16th century and present theology, with background on present day proposed liturgical revisions.

Saturday, from 10 A.M. - 3 P.M., small group workshops will be conducted to give persons attending a chance to develop and compose their own worship service to be used the following day by Holy Trinity parish and visitors. At 10:15 A.M. on the 17th, Mr. Rowthorn will meet with 9th-12th graders to discuss worship.

There will be no cost for the weekend. All interested persons in the Fayetteville area are invited to attend any part or all of the presentation. Those attending on Saturday should bring a bag lunch. Coffee and soft drinks will be provided.

## Convention Program

### FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1974

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| 9:00-10:30 A.M. | Registration, South Cafeteria, East Carolina University |
| 11:00 A.M.      | Opening Service, Holy Communion and Bishop's Address    |
| 1:00 P.M.       | Lunch   |
| 2:00 P.M.       | Business Session. Elections and reports                 |
| 7:00 P.M.       | Banquet, South Cafeteria, ECU                           |

### SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1974

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| 7:30 A.M. | Holy Communion, St. Paul's Church       |
|           | Continental Breakfast in Parish House   |
| 9:30 A.M. | Business Session. Elections and reports |

# The Bishop's Bag



As this article is read in your home, many in our Diocese will be thinking about our 1974 Diocesan Convention to be held in Greenville, N. C., on March 1st and 2nd, beginning at 11 A. M. on Friday. St. Paul's, Greenville, is our Host Congregation. The Convention will be held in East Carolina University. We will worship, legislate, eat, and enjoy the fellowship of the participants all in one building under one roof. This will be new for us. It is indicative of the gracious hospitality of St. Paul's Parish and East Carolina University. The Convention is open to visitors.

Church government in Christian Bodies all over the world varies in great degree. In some the decisions are made by a small number or group. In others the voice of the member in the pew is heard and recorded vigorously. Often the manner of Church government is influenced by the government of the political unit in which the Church resides.

Our own Church government in the Episcopal Church begins at the congregational level. Local Congregations elect their own leadership, who elect representatives to the Diocesan Convention, and these, in turn, elect representatives to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church. It is vital to the Church of God that the Church choose wisely her leadership. Choosing capable and committed Christian leaders may be one of the most important functions of our Diocesan Convention and all Church Conventions.

Our Diocesan Convention has the responsibility to designate and determine the Diocesan Program. The Executive Council, through its committees, has long been at work on this. We expect to have a strong program in 1974 and this comes about as a result of a great number of people who have worked hard. This Program must be consistent with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The various Conventions of the Diocese of East Carolina bring together many old friends and always some new ones. Out of this fellowship comes friendships, new motivations, and ideas. Fellowship is not an extra in our Faith. It is our Faith. Our Diocesan Convention helps in this way.

Worship is the rule and tradition of our Convention. It could not be otherwise. The strength of our corporate worship and hymns of praise may well be the most important experience.

The 1974 Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina is not all there is to the Diocese of East Carolina. But it is a significant part.

Come!

Hunley Agee Elebash, Bishop

## Bishop's Travels

- Feb. 3 Grace Church, Plymouth
- Feb. 5 St. Luke's Church, Roper
- Feb. 5 Executive Council, Diocesan House, Wilmington
- Feb. 10 St. Francis, Goldsboro
- Feb. 11 St. James Churchwomen, Wilmington
- Feb. 12 St. Philip's Vestry, Southport
- Feb. 17 St. Thomas, Ahoskie
- Feb. 20 Diocesan Churchwomen Board, Diocesan House, Wilmington
- Feb. 24 Sunday, schedule to be announced
- March 1 Diocesan Convention 11 A.M., and 2 St. Paul's, Greenville, East Carolina University
- March 3 St. Peter's, Washington
- March 5 Provincial Bishops, Atlanta and 6
- March 10 St. Paul's, Beaufort
- March 11-15 Lenten Preaching, Church of The Advent, Birmingham, Alabama
- March 17 Church of The Servant, Wilmington
- March 22 Kanuga Board and 23
- March 24 Grace Church, Whiteville

## NATIONAL NEWS ROUNDUP

Bishop Stephen F. Bayne, one of the world's best known Anglican leaders in the 1950's and 60's, died January 18, 1974, at the age of 65. Active until his death, Bishop Bayne visited every diocese in the Anglican Communion in his post as the first executive officer of that body. He was the author of several books, including the much used *Christian Living*, one of the Episcopal Church's Teaching Series.

Dr. J. Jefferson Bennett, vice-chancellor and president of the University of the South, has been named chairman of the Board of the Association of Episcopal Colleges. He succeeds Dr. Harry Graham, president of Voorhees College, Denmark, S. C., one of the nine member institutions.

Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass., and Philadelphia Divinity School have completed plans to merge, forming The Episcopal Divinity School. Beginning with the 1974-75 term, operations will be concentrated on the Cambridge campus.

The Board for Theological Education (BTE) approved a total of \$40,000 to be made available for grants to help bishops receive continuing education in 1974 and \$185,000 for other clergy. Does your priest know of this source of help?

COCU is a reality to some two dozen ecumenical church groups from Hawaii to Massachusetts. These church groups are sharing the Lord's Supper, employing staff jointly, holding common worship and sharing facilities in a grass roots effort to develop interdenominational structures as a prelude to union.

**The February meeting of the Executive Council — the very important "budget meeting" — took place too late for a report this month. Look for a detailed report in the next Mission Herald.**



Part of the scene under the Big Top at the "Morning Star" gathering of students, chaplains and faculty January 2-8 at Biscayne College, Miami, Florida for an Epiphany celebration. Attending from this Diocese were the Rev. Joe Cooper, the Rev. Bill Hadden, Lee Hadden and Mary Kay Manning.

## Kaleidoscope

MRS. CHANBLE BROWN, counselor with the Educational Center in St. Louis, Missouri, will be at Christ Church, Elizabeth City, February 17. She will speak at the 10:30 A.M. church service and will direct a short course for adults at 5 P.M. that afternoon. Persons interested in becoming acquainted with Educational Center curriculum are invited to attend Christ Church and participate in this program.

LITTLE CALVARY CHURCH in Swanquarter has recently added some beautiful red carpet to its interior! The carpet was a project undertaken by church members to keep their church as pretty and modern as possible. Anytime you're in Swanquarter, stop in and let them "roll out the red carpet".

A RESOLUTION OF RESPECT has been adopted by the Churchwomen of Christ Episcopal Church, Elizabeth City, in memory of Shelton Zoeller Hill who died recently. She was the wife of Rector Emeritus Hill.

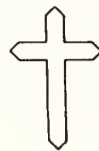
## Melanesia Gets MRI Offering

Newly consecrated Bishop Derek A. Rawcliffe of New Hebrides Islands has received a check for \$4,460.53 from 1973 Lenten offerings and budget monies for MRI from East Carolina. These funds have already been put to use in the enlarging of a house to be used by the Bishop as his residence. Other buildings constructed with funds given by this Diocese are being used to house other staff members.

Bishop Rawcliffe, in a letter to Bishop Elebash acknowledging the gift, thanked

this Diocese saying, "Of all the Dioceses overseas your Diocese has been most faithful and generous to us." He also asked for continued prayers from East Carolina as he begins his new work. He has recently taught and ordained six new priests who will work with him.

The 1973 MRI Commission of East Carolina also sent 3,000 school books to church schools in Grenada and St. Vincent in the Diocese of the Windward Islands. In the fall, the commission will sponsor a visit to the Diocese by Bishop Rawcliffe and by Bishop Cuthbert Woodroffe of the Windward Islands.



## What's Up

- Feb. 8-10 Junior High Conference, Camp Leach, Sponsored by Youth Ministry Task Force.
- Feb. 14 Liturgical Commission, St. Mary's, Kinston.
- 10:30 A.M. Discussion on Prayer Book Studies No. 26, Holy Baptism.
- Feb. 15 Pre-Lenten Clergy Conference, St. Mary's, Kinston.
- 10:30 A.M. Talks, Lunch, Eucharist.
- March 1-2 Diocesan Convention, St. Paul's, Greenville, N.C.
- March 15-17 Senior High Conference, Camp Leach Sponsored by Youth Ministry Task Force

## Bookcase

by Jack Ormond

*LIVE UNTIL YOU DIE*, Randolph Crump Miller, a Pilgrim Press Book from United Church Press, Philadelphia, 1973. 152 pages. \$5.95.



This book is all about living meaningfully until we die. To describe and commend such a process, the author voices a plea to explore the mysteries of living and dying since both are inescapable. The fact that children are going to deal with death and dying in certain ways at various age levels puts a considerable onus on parents in particular and upon all adults in general to know what they believe and where they are when it comes to dying.

A section on death education explains what the elements in such a process are to allow persons of all ages to come to terms with their feelings and attitudes toward death and dying in the interests of reducing fear and enhancing life with more joy.

The axis of this book is based on the delicate balance of our denial and acceptance of the reality of death and how we live and how we die. How much difference there is between being prepared to die and being ready to do it! The crucial question is — do we know how to value the present?

The conflicting views of death as an enemy and as natural and good will call into play the reader's values. A thorough presentation of human responses to dying — including denial, anger, bargaining, depression, acceptance and hope — is reviewed. The author puts the finger of responsibility directly upon those professional persons who can best assist a dying patient to face death in such a way that he remains fully human.

Dying with dignity is a desired commodity these days. The emergence of the modern "hospice" is enticingly detailed in chapter 7 as a place for terminal patients to receive all the necessary medical care as death moves closer.

The section on planning one's own funeral is excellent horse sense and a delight as well as a relief. The author is kind enough to give his own plan for his funeral which were worked out in the context of a family agreement including the eventuality of death at home or in some other locality.

For anyone who is wondering where the current ideas and concepts about life after death originated, chapter 8 is a surveyor's delight. It is a compact and clear description of what is Jewish, Persian, Greek, and Egyptian in thought forms about death and life after it. The Biblical understanding of death and the life of the world to come along with Jesus' and Paul's views in these areas are coordinated and summarized in a section called, "The Church's Teaching".

Amid the American supermarket concept of shopping around for just the right cult, sect and/or congenial, intimate, soul satisfying "church", the honest to goodness kind of teaching Randolph Crump Miller offers about death and the life of the world to come is a potent blessing.

If you believe the facts about death should be understood; if you are interested in what it means to die with dignity; if you are concerned about plans for your family's future; if you intend to plan for your death; if you wish to participate in what is called the art of dying so that you have hope; if you feel that a sense of humor can be developed if not already natively possessed about the last thing you will ever do, this book is for you!

Jack Ormond

*Editor's Note: Since this issue is largely devoted to Christian Education news, with particular emphasis on work and plans in the Youth Ministry by Jesse Gaither, the editors thought it appropriate that his comments take precedence over any editorial we may have considered.*

## Guest Editorial - Jesse Gaither

An article in a rather respected Church publication read "Youth — Church of the Future". I want to tell you very strongly that I believe that headline should have read, "Youth — The Church Now". If there is anything that I am certain is the clue to real Youth Ministry, it is the understanding that ALL baptized members of Christ are partners together in the Church now, as it stands, and that all that we do together must be a reflection of that. Youth are not second-class citizens.

There are many places in this Diocese where this is already the case — places that realize the unique talents of enthusiasm and questioning that youth bring to us adults as we wrestle with the demands of the Gospel together. Two conferences at Camp Leach, one in February and one in March, deal with exactly how we carry over our Christian understandings into our lives.

On February 8-10 Junior High Youth gathered to deal with the topic, "Who am I and what does that have to do with Jesus the Christ?". In March — the 15th-17th — a group of Senior High Teens will explore "Christian Freedom: Trust and Responsibility in the Community of Faith." In both these times together study, worship, recreation and encounter with the meat and potatoes of our Christian traditions will be used. How long has it been since we adults took a look at the questions Youth are wrestling with today, such as these?

The most exciting parts of my job since September, and the most meaningful, have come in sharing events in several of our churches. I am available to go anywhere in the Diocese and help with the organization or continuance of Youth programs in any way that I can. Please write me at 403 Eastern St., Greenville, N.C. 27834 or call at 752-6373. I am currently planning a series of visits all around East Carolina and hope to meet with many of you personally soon.

Finally, a word to any young person who may be reading this column and wondering who this person is that has been hired to work with you on your ministry. I hope that I will be primarily an enabler, a helper of what *you* want to happen in *your* Church. I will do my best to institute a program and structure that will facilitate young people's involvement on every level of our Diocesan life, and I am counting on your help in that work with me. Will you join us: You Are The Church!

Jesse Gaither

## Cooke Announces Christian Ed. Component Change

The Rev. Jim Cooke of Clinton, chairman, has announced a new plan of operation for the Diocesan Department of Christian Education. Featured in this issue are a number of new programs which have been initiated through the revision.

Six component units will carry the basic operating load of Christian Education and Youth work in the diocese. Components include camps and conferences, youth ministry, resource library, newsletter and/or switchboard, leadership training, and last, for want of a better name, various task force units. In the past, only three divisions were functional. These were camps and conferences, leadership training and youth.

The central Coordinating Committee is the heart of the program, according to Mr. Cooke. It will not only initiate programs through the component units, but also suggest personnel to work in the programs.

The Rev. Jess Gaither, diocesan staff assistant to the Bishop for Camps and Conferences and Youth ministry, and Mrs. Wendy Raynor, Gaither's assistant, are among the members of this group. The Rev. John Moulton, chairman of the Division for Youth, and the Rev. Jim Horton, chairman of the Camps and Conference Division also serve. Other members of the Coordinating Committee are the Rev. Bob Cook, the Rev. Danny Daniels, Mrs. Bates Toome, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Voorhees, the Rev. Bill Hadden, the Rev. Joe Cooper, and the Rev. Ed Jeffress as consultant.

Mr. Cooke will serve as chairman until the diocesan convention in March, when his term on the Executive Council expires. Diocesan rules state that the chairman must be a member of that body.

## QUESTION BOX

We would like to offer the Diocese an informal exchange of ideas in the field of Christian Education. You are invited to submit your needs and questions to The Rev. Jesse Gaither. To start the ball rolling, we pose this question:

**WHAT ARE THE NEEDS AND PROBLEMS YOU HAVE IN THE AREA OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, AND HOW CAN WE HELP?**



6th Grade Sunday School Class at St. Peter's, Washington, learn about Joy.

*Editor's Note: This is one in a series of articles on new approaches to Church School Programs in the Diocese.*

## Joy Theme at St. Peter's

Joy, that little word that so few of us manage to communicate in our faith, is the theme of Church School studies at St. Peter's, Washington, N. C. this year.

Man's relationship to God, others and himself is the three pronged thrust of this curriculum. The Gospel is truly accepted as "Good News". Instead of the "oughtness" of life, the "isness" is stressed. The material is not legalistic, asking of children an intolerable and inhuman perfection, but instead encourages joy at the great event of Christ's coming, with His free gift of grace to each of His children.

Preschool children work at building Christian concepts, while kindergartners deal with celebrating life's wonders. Discovering Christ's signs is the goal of first graders, and those in the second grade emphasize working together in Christ. Responding to, and with, love is the third grade theme, while fourth graders are concerned with knowing and relating to people. In the fifth grade the theme is living the Christian life, with grades six through eight continuing this study, emphasizing personal values, the Christian faith and the reality of God in their lives. Grades nine through 12 attempt to look at the issues which confront them in the light of the faith of Christ.

Further information may be obtained by writing to the Rev. Edwin Jeffress, 305 S. 3rd St., Wilmington, N. C. 28401, at the Resource Library. It is also available through Helen Teves, Episcopal Church Division, Winston Press (formerly Mine Publications), 25 Groveland Terrace, Minneapolis, Minn. 55403.



Wendy Raynor and The Rev. Jesse Gaither prepare for a busy ministry.



## Camp Leach Conf. Center Underway

Nestled off by itself at Camp Leach under the trees, the Conference Center has remained a mystery to many East Carolina Episcopalians. Unless you have been a part of the many and varied groups using the Center you may not be aware of the year-round facilities available to diocesan and other groups. The Conference Center has space for 32 persons to sleep, as well as complete kitchen and dining facilities, and meeting rooms.

You also may not know that this Center is now under the supervision of Mrs. Wendy Raynor, a certified Director of Christian Education who came to this area

from the Diocese of Ohio. She has seen to it that the Conference Center has been returned to its top condition and is ready to help all groups who use the center with programs and any other needs they may have. Mrs. Raynor lives with her retired husband nearby in Pinetown, N. C., telephone 927-3106. Her address is Box 10.

Hannis and Mamie Braddy are caretakers of the Center and Camp Leach, and live on the grounds year-round.

All weekends for the Center are engaged through May when the Center becomes quarters for summer staffs at Camp Leach. Mid-week meetings may still be

scheduled. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Raynor. Because of increased expenses, cost per person per night has been raised to \$3.00. A deposit of \$25 is required.

In recent months there have been gatherings of the Executive Council, Camps Committee, several Episcopal Churchwomen's groups, as well as diocesan-wide youth programs. Conferences have been held there sponsored by the Department of Stewardship and the Department of Christian Education. You are invited to add to the variety by suggesting and initiating programs of your own.

If you are driving near Bath and have never seen this excellent facility, take a short detour and ask Hannis and Mamie to show it to you. Or plan an event for next year there with your group. The beauty of the setting, and the convenience of the center will combine to make it a most memorable time.

## Clergy Changes

The Rev. Middleton L. Wooten, III, Assistant Rector at St. John's Church, Fayetteville, for the past two years became Rector of St. Thomas, Windsor on February 3. A native of Mississippi, Mr. Wooten will continue to serve the Diocese on the Minister, His Life and Work Committee. Mr. Wooten has been active in Contact, telephone ministry.

The Rev. Robert Franklin Thomas, Jr., of Macon, Georgia, has accepted a call as Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wilmington. He succeeds the recently retired Rev. Edward Small. Mr. Thomas was a businessman before entering the ministry. As an active layman he directed several church choirs in the Atlanta area. He and his wife, Myra have a daughter, Karen, 14. A married son, Mark, resides in Charlotte. Welcome!

Now Rector of St. Francis Church, Greensboro, the Rev. Peter Robinson will become Rector of St. Stephen's, Goldsboro, on March 1. Mr. Robinson has been in Greensboro for a number of years, founding St. Francis as a mission and seeing it grow to parish status. We welcome the Robinsons to their new home!

(Editor's Note: Many times we would like to include biographical details on clergy who are assuming new positions in our Diocese, but do not have this information or only have it on one of those mentioned. You could help us out by sending a clear, glossy black and white photo and a biographical sketch on a clergyman coming to your church, *as soon as he accepts the call*. This would help all of us get to know one another sooner.)

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In many cities in the South, preservation of historic buildings has become a matter of excitement, innovation, and civic pride. In Wilmington the preservation and renovation movement has become so popular that many blocks of the Historic Area have been revitalized. The Diocese of East Carolina has, by happenstance, become involved in the preservation and adaptive use of a handsome structure in this Historic Area.

In October, 1953, Mrs. Lucile Murchison Marvin gave to the diocese her family home at the corner of Third and Ann Streets in Wilmington. By gift and bequest of Mrs. Marvin to the Episcopal Foundation income is available every year for maintenance and program at the Diocesan House. Mrs. Marvin also left many of her furnishings in the house, and other friends of the diocese have donated period furnishings to be used there.

The Murchison House has been adapted by the Diocese of East Carolina for use by its professional staff, and it now contains the offices of the bishop, Mr. Jeffress, and a secretarial staff, as well as office space used by the historiographer and by the Rev. Clem Jordan, rector of The Church of the Servant.

The Diocesan House has an upstairs guest bedroom, a cheerful kitchen, and a charming little chapel. It is used for meetings, private confirmations and baptisms, and communion services. . . and has been the scene of two weddings!

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The Murchison House, a two-story brick structure, was built in the early 1870's by David R. Murchison. The architecture is modified Victorian Gothic, and the house originally had a third floor with a mansard roof. The wing which houses the bishop's office was a later addition to the house, and was called the Library. Decorative features of the exterior are a balustrade cornice with spindles, keystone cornices over windows with arched shutters, and a triangular pedimented doorway. The carriage house in the back yard is the original building. The house is surrounded by a handsome wrought iron fence.

In the past few months, the kitchen has been refurbished, some painting has been done, and the shrubbery has been groomed. The Diocesan House is an outstandingly lovely example of the adaptive use of a historic structure for contemporary professional purposes.

It has been included in the Historic Wilmington Foundation tours. Next time you're in Wilmington, stop by the Diocesan House, and take your own tour of "our" headquarters. . . the staff would welcome your visit !!



Ornate back porch, Diocesan House



Keystone cornices over windows with arched shutters and spindle cornices.



Statuary on garden fountain in the back yard.

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mittee include Claud Wheatly, Beaufort; the Rev. Bob Holt, Havelock; the Rev. Tom Midyette, Beaufort; the Rev. Ed Sharpe, New Bern; and Mr. Taylor, chairman.

Others present at the meeting at Atlantic Beach were the Rev. Charles Duvall, Fayetteville; the Rev. Ray Storey, Edenton; and the Rt. Rev. Hunley Elebash.

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A three million dollar social science building complex has been dedicated to Dr. Lawrence F. Brewster, recently retired professor of history at East Carolina University and historiographer of the Diocese.

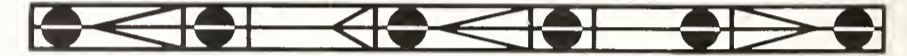
Dr. Brewster was honored at ceremonies held at ECU on Sunday, January 20. Participating in the program were Dr. Leo Jenkins, Chancellor of the University; Dr. Herbert Paschal, chairman of the Department of History; and William A. Dees, Jr., chairman of the Board of Governors of the Greater University of N. C. The Rev. Pat Houston, Rector of St. Paul's, Greenville, gave the dedicatory prayer.

A large portrait of Dr. Brewster painted by Marilyn Gordley of Greenville was unveiled at the ceremony. The painting will hang in the vestibule of the new building. After the service Dr. Brewster was guest of honor at a dinner at the home of Dr. Jenkins.

Known as "Mr. History" by East Carolina Episcopalians, Dr. Brewster is presently writing a history of the Church in North Carolina as well as the history of his home parish, St. Paul's. He has been associated with ECU since 1945.



Dr. Lawrence Brewster and portrait



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"Everyone needs someone who will listen. I love people, and I seem to be able to understand their problems — because I've been there," said the Rev. Thomas Gregg, innovator of a new counseling service for industry in Fayetteville.

Mr. Gregg, for the past several years vicar of St. Paul's in the Pines Church, began Personal Counseling for Industry in September, 1973. The first day he had two calls. Since that time 16 companies, from huge Carolina Telephone with 1,000 employees to Shaffer Management Company with 60, have signed on for a yearly fee to make counseling available to their employees. Employees receive help completely without cost, when they need it and in strict confidentiality. No report is made back to the management and supervisory permission is not necessary.

"People are so nice, if you just give them a spittin' chance," says Mr. Gregg, a businessman for 14 years and an artist by avocation. "Industry is just beginning to realize they need to slow down moves by their employees. People who move a lot exhibit certain characteristics. One is deep

depression." No one knows why, but Mr. Gregg thinks that constant moving from job to job or community to community is either a form of escape from facing a person's problems, or a cause of much of the depression he sees around him. A lack of roots in the community, with families not knowing their neighbors or even having a family doctor in whom to confide, aggravates insecurities or problems people might already have.

Mr. Gregg estimates that his service is now available to 7,000 persons. His goal is to reach 20,000, adding at least four more companies. When this becomes a reality, he will enlist help through the Clinical Pastoral Training Program at the University of North Carolina Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill. Then he would devote more time to going to the plants and stores, getting to know personally many of the employees and establishing the rapport which is essential for this kind of ministry.

Mr. Gregg has been invited to meet and shake the hand of every person with some companies. This always results in a rash of calls for help the next day. Some, such as Sear, Inc. donate time missed by those who go for counseling, feeling that improvements in the employees' marital problems, alcoholic or personal distress will outweigh any time lost.

Personal Counseling for Industry, Inc. is modeled on a similar program in Greensboro, N. C. under the direction of the Rev. Nelson Hodgkins, formerly an Episcopal priest in Whiteville. This service has been established since 1966 and has gained ready acceptance in Greensboro.

Calling himself a "situational neurosis counselor", Mr. Gregg refers clients with severe problems to local psychiatrists. His is a listening service, "a friendly ear". It is much the same sort of work a parish priest does with his congregation, except that those this priest sees have no pastor, or are ashamed to go to him. Through the business community Tom Gregg hopes to spread the ministry of Christ, to show that someone cares.



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## At 91st Annual Diocesan Convention

# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL EXPANDED; 16 YR. OLDS TO GET CHANCE



The Rt. Rev. Hunley A. Elebash celebrates Holy Communion at opening service.

## '74 Budget Holds Line At \$349,851

A \$349,851 budget for fiscal 1974 was adopted by the Diocese of East Carolina at its annual convention March 1 in Greenville, N. C. Presented by Wallace Murchison of Wilmington, chairman of the Department of Finance, the budget proposed by the Executive Council (see related story) represents the lowest percentage of outside the diocese giving in several years.

The National Church will receive \$75,589, with total giving outside the diocese \$89,671, or 25.6% of the total budget. Included are \$500 increases each for St. Mary's Junior College and Thompson Orphanage. Expenditures within the diocese will be \$260,180.57. Included in this amount was an 8% increase in diocesan personnel salaries, partially funded by an unprecedented letter to congregations after the Stewardship campaign had closed. (Diocesan personnel include staff secretaries, mission clergy, the Bishop, Executive Secretary, and Director of Youth and Camps and Conferences.) It was pointed out that where the diocese pays a portion of a priest's salary, that portion would be raised 8%, and it was hoped the other source of income would consider increasing its portion, also.

The Department of Finance presented a resolution concerning minimum clergy salaries beginning in 1975. The Convention voted that minimum salaries for clergy be \$9,000, with pension premiums and travel expenses paid by the employer, and that either a rectory or a housing allowance of \$2250 annually be provided.

A question was raised on the Convention floor regarding funds for working with youth on military bases in the diocese. Bishop Elebash reported that while no specific funds are budgeted for this item, the diocese looks to local parishes in the area of the bases to carry on this ministry. The deletion of funds for the Christian Social Relations Department, which includes work done at Real House, a crisis center in Greenville, was also questioned. After discussion, funds for Real House were not included in the budget, but several local parishes pledged financial support for this project (see box). The budget then passed with no verbal dissent.

Walter Jones, New Bern, who was re-elected Treasurer of the Diocese, presented

In a packed meeting room with spectators lining the walls, delegates to the 91st Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina passed two amendments to the Canons of the Diocese which will have long range effects on the life of the diocese. Meeting on the campus of East Carolina University on March 1 and 2, they also defeated an amendment which would have allowed persons baptized, but not confirmed, to vote in local parochial or mission elections.

Persons 16 years or older, who are confirmed and communicants "in good standing" may now serve on local vestries and on the diocesan Executive Council. The Executive Council itself will be expanded by three additional lay members, with 9 clergy and 12 lay persons serving, providing for a more representative number of clergy to lay members. Three clergy and four lay members will be elected each year, beginning at the next convention.

Provision was made for rotation of persons serving as Trustees of the Diocese, with no lay persons to serve more than two consecutive two-year terms. Tabled for one year was an amendment to the Canons which dealt with the re-classification of the status of parishes, aided parishes and missions, at the request of the Committee on Canons, which felt it needed more time for study.

Elected to the Executive Council for three year terms were the Rev. Charles F. Duvall, Fayetteville; the Rev. Robert D. Cook, Wilmington; and the Rev. Webster L. Simons, Jr., Wilmington. Also, as lay members, Dr. L. Sidney Christian of Williamston; Mr. Ted Gartman, Greenville; and Mr. Walker Taylor, Wilmington for full three year terms, and Mr. Ed Voorhees of Morehead City to fill an unexpired two year term.

Bishop Hunley Elebash has appointed Mr. Duvall as Chairman of the Department of Stewardship and Communication; Mr. Cook as Chairman of the Commission on Ministry; and Mr. Gartman as Chairman of the Department of Christian Education.

Mr. Simons will continue to serve as Chairman of the Liturgical Commission, with the Rev. John Ormond, Goldsboro, re-appointed as Chairman of the Department of Missions. Dr. William Powell, Fayetteville, will serve as Chairman of the Department of Finance. All chairmen of diocesan departments must come from among members of the Executive Council.

Elected to the Standing Committee were the Rev. James Cooke, Clinton, and Mr. William Page, Kinston. Mr. Walter Jones of New Bern was re-elected Treasurer of the Diocese, and Dr. Lawrence Brewster, Greenville, was re-named Historiographer. Re-elected Chancellor of the Diocese was Mr. Nelson Taylor, of Beaufort. Elected to be a Trustee of the Diocese for a two year term was Mr. Allan Strange of Wilmington, with Mr. C. A. Mann, Washington, elected to a one year term.

Trustees of the University of the South elected at the convention were the Rev. C. Thomas Midyette, Beaufort; Mr. Louis Smith, Murfreesboro; and Mrs. Ann Wade, Greenville. Thompson Orphanage Board of Managers members selected were the Rev. Garland Teasley, Lumberton; and Mrs. Henry Modlin, Goldsboro. Elected by the convention upon nomination of the Bishop were the Rev. E. B. Jeffress as Secretary of the Convention, and Mr. Waverly Broadwell, Fayetteville, as Dispatcher of Business. Assistants to Mr. Jeffress were the Rev. David Bena, New Bern; and Mrs. Gibbs Willard, Wilmington.

A new article in the Canons which would clarify and replace several old ones was given first approval and will be voted on by orders at the next convention as a final step before it becomes law. If passed, persons 16 or older, who are confirmed and communicants in good standing in their local parish or mission, and who sign an agreement to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church may be elected to serve on local vestries.

St. Paul's, Beaufort, issued an invitation for 1975 convention to meet in that city.

## New Youth Council Formed in Diocese

Formation of a diocesan Youth Council and its Adult Advisory Board to further youth ministry in East Carolina has been a part of the work this winter of the Rev. Jesse Gaither, in his new job as diocesan director of Youth Ministry. The Rev. John Moulton is chairman of the Division for Youth.

At a recent meeting of the new group interest was shown in the possibility of a place which could be a headquarters for diocesan youth ministry, and in increased communication between youth groups. YOUTH/SHARE, a publication which includes news written by youths, as well as diocesan events, is an effort of the division to meet this need.

Members of the Youth Council, a group chosen for leadership qualities, include Mark Strawn, Jeff Cavano, Giles MacMillan, Billy Roraback and Liz Huskey, all of Fayetteville; and Danny Bowman and Ellen Longino of Greenville. Also, Elizabeth Ward and Bob Gilliam of Plymouth; Ray Cole and Lisa Barnes of Havelock; Kevin Ousley and Andy Bell of Goldsboro; and Ann Rodman, Velveeta Dawkins, Kitty Taylor, Jennifer King, and Mary Todd McKenzie, of Washington. In addition, Ed Sharp and Lucy Wetherington, New Bern; and David Falkowski, Allison Burns and Barbara Allen, Kinston.

Adults serving on the Advisory Board are Skip and Judy Chase, Havelock; Juanita and Walter Lyerly, Kinston; the Rev. David Bena and Linda Horner, New Bern; the Rev. Mid Wooten, Windsor; Tom and Cindy Bell, Goldsboro. Also, Bett Gilliam, Plymouth and the Rev. Gil Gilfillin, Wilmington.

## New P.B. Announces National Staff Changes

Presiding Bishop-Elect John M. Allin has announced changes in the Executive Council staff to become effective when he begins his administration of the Episcopal Church in June. The Deputy of Jurisdictions, the Program Officer and the Administrative Officer will be replaced. A new position of Deputy for Ministries will be created. There will be no Executive Vice President.

Bishop Edmond L. Browning will replace Mrs. David Hunter as Deputy for Jurisdictions, having responsibility for a wide variety of programs which link the national church with its 114 jurisdictions in the U. S. and overseas.

The other positions have not been filled as yet. Continuing at the management level will be Oscar C. Carr, Jr., Deputy for Development; John C. Goodbody, Deputy for Communication; and Lindley M. Franklin, Jr., Treasurer and Deputy for Finance. The soon to be named Deputy for Administration will serve as chairman of the deputies.



Delegates listen to debate on floor of convention.

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## "Come Break Bread With Christian Ed" Theme Sparks Exhibit

"Come break bread with Christian Ed!" beckoned all delegates to the Diocesan Convention to visit room 123 at the Holiday Inn. The Diocesan Department of Christian Education used their "EVERYTHING YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT CHRISTIAN ED. BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK" exhibit at the convention center to communicate its activities and goals, but it used its "bash" to communicate an enthusiasm for its work.

Guests to the Christian Ed Room were greeted by flickering lanterns and a vivid red batik hanging admonishing us to CELEBRATE . . . and celebrate we did, sharing bread and a tremendous wheel of cheese, sherry and cider. Bright flowers in baskets, cozy lighted lanterns, some really lovely posters, and happy music helped to create an atmosphere of warmth and festivity . . . and the *real* sharing was of fellowship. It was a highlight of the 1974 convention, and led many there to express the hope that other diocesan departments would catch the spark.

### Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I am writing regarding an issue which arose at the Diocesan Convention concerning the method of making changes in the proposed budget by the delegates. A delegate requested funds to be included for "Real House" in the Diocesan budget, an item deleted from this year's budget. The Chairman of Convention ruled that to include funds in one portion of the budget one must propose at the same time deletion of funds from another portion. I questioned that ruling, but Convention sustained the Chairman.

This ruling concerns me, as in effect it becomes almost impossible for the Convention to change the budget as proposed by the Executive Council, thus making the Convention a rubber stamp. Obviously some item has to be deleted, but I believe that should entail separate action by Convention. It seems to me it would be more appropriate to vote on a request on its own merits rather than tying it to the deletion of another item. I am fully aware this would be a time consuming process, but I believe it is appropriate and time well spent in Convention.

Several years ago the Minister-His Life and Work Committee began working on a new budget process for our Diocese, which became a reality as a result of the work of

a committee appointed by the Diocese and the plan approved by Convention. The emphasis of this process was to respond to priorities suggested by local parishes. I believe this to be creative as it permits sharing the decision making process, the burden of responsibility and accountability.

The ruling of the Chair, however, does not permit discussion of items on their own merit, but must be tied to another item. It is my feeling this limits consideration of an item on its own merits and thus limits the decision making of the Convention. I would hope and urge some consideration be given to changing this procedure in order that the Convention would in fact be the decision making body in our Diocese.

James R. Horton

Dear Sir:

It was my first convention in this diocese. Here are some rambling thoughts and reflections.

The convention was well done and well run. The atmosphere was relaxed and low key. The opening worship was glorious — the music was fantastic — parts from Bernstein's *Mass* — trumpets — the new liturgy — all put together in an informal manner, yet full of grace and dignity. The Bishop's address was powerful and in touch — certainly not prophetic, however.

The highlight of the convention was Breaking Bread with Christian Ed. Two rooms of the Holiday Inn were transformed into a happening place by the use of dried flowers, candles, and tie-died hangings. Wine, cheese, and homemade bread were provided in abundance. It was a simple, but effective little bit of communication that the Christian Ed committee of the diocese had come up with. It was the most Christian thing that went on at convention — people talking about significant things like God, the Church, the world, and where they were in all of this. It was very neat!

Missed at convention was a chance to talk in depth about the issues on the floor. There must be a better way to deal with getting resolutions resolved, people elected, and changing canons. Missed was a theological perspective as to what this was all about in relation to Jesus Christ and His Church. It seemed that convention needed to learn how to minister to convention.

Most missed was an ending service — an opportunity to offer up the fun parts, the frustrating events, the new friendships made, the old ones renewed; and especially an opportunity to be thankful for the Diocese of East Carolina.

The Rev. W. M. Gilfillin

## From the Bishop's Address to Convention

There are many problems that confront us in the world today. They greatly affect our lives, they are exceedingly complex, they defy easy solution. It appears they will not go away, and the World and Church seem to be divided about how they may be resolved. Several things come to my mind. God has made and continues to sustain the world in which these confrontations continue to flare.

Surely Christians, who comprise almost twenty percent of the world's population, must have something to offer, especially if they aspire truly to be co-workers with that God who made and sustains our world and us. We *must* address ourselves to these as Christians and citizens. God intends that we shall. Further, I want to state in one sense these will not impair the Church of God or the Cause of Christ. They face or confront us thus more deeply. Lack of gasoline may change the frequency and manner of our meetings, but it cannot quiet nor negate the Spirit of God or the Church of God. Insidious inflation may and does upset our neat little plans and programs, and encourages a certain selfishness in us all. But stewardship of our resources, legitimate frugality and carefulness in our expenditures, generosity in giving, must be our mark in every economic environment and stage.

Dishonesty among us at home or in far off places disgusts us (even as we see something of ourselves in this), but it does not erase the fact that Jesus calls us to love one another, not cheat nor deceive one another. War and violence, individually or in national or international conflict, for years has taken our sons, and now it appears no one, innocent or guilty, is immune. But "Blessed are the Peacemakers" are great words, and, *imprinted in us deeply*, they will sustain us and call us to the higher calling. The Cause of Christ and the Church of God has thrived when it faces the issues, asks forgiveness, and accepts the Power of Jesus Christ in common life.

Every Diocesan Convention may be an occasion of strength to those individuals who come together for counsel, decision, worship, and fellowship. I am confident of this. Each of us needs support — no man can go it alone. I spoke a few minutes ago of the poor, the dispossessed, the alienated or lonely. In *our* world these words claim all of us — you and me. In our world today I do not believe God calls our Church to self-destruct. Rather, so much the more we are called to see Him. I, personally, since we met in Convention last, have been greatly supported and helped by the Congregations and people of this Diocese miles beyond my limited expectation — the stamina of the Choir in a small Mission, the enthusiasm and idealism of some young people, the understanding of Clergy, the willingness of the lay people, the loyalty of old people, the insistence on sound morality by some who could have taken another road, the puzzling relationship between all of us which has prompted me to look deeper (I was only seeing the superficial), the steady worship which may make us courageous when, by ourselves, we would only be cowards.

My Brothers and Sisters, the Spirit of God is in our Diocese (in our midst). And this is an irrefutable truth and not a matter for discussion and debate. You and I are hungry and we yearn for whoever that Presence is that fulfills our lives. I have not always found Him alone, but I have found Him with you, this year in this Diocese. I believe this is the Church of Jesus Christ. And I am grateful. Our common life is blessed. The real ingredients of the Gospel are here. Our call and declaration is not to return to the sixties or every other decade. Rather, we declare anew the Greatness of how God in Christ enters human life and in that entering, all life is blessed by Him who said "Behold I make all things new".

Hunley A. Elebash



## An Editorial

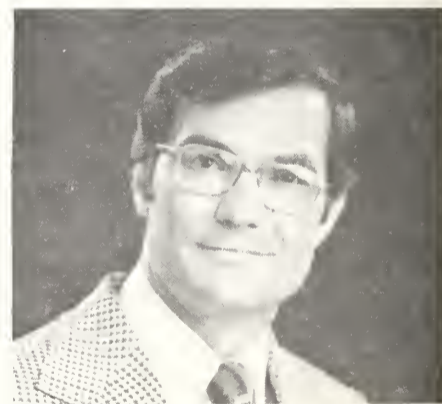
"LET'S OPEN MORE WINDOWS"

Things were different at the 91st Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina. It was as though someone had opened a window and let in a fresh breeze of possibilities. There was more open discussion and questioning of reports and budget; delegates used the trial form of Holy Communion, many for the first time (in a far from perfect setting — a meeting room crowded with tables and chairs which blocked most of the view); and the Christian Education Department got jazzy in a very effective way with its displays, posters and drop in.

Not only that, but the "power block" was challenged to provide more opportunities for service through an expanded Executive Council, and by durn, it worked! Sixteen year old youths, callow as though they are obviously thought by some, were given the power, if elected, to serve on vestries and the Executive Council.

Moreover, it was one of the most pleasant, yet vital conventions this reporter can remember.

This Convention was a good start; next time let's open more windows, so that more persons can be more responsible, more involved, and more aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit in this diocese.



## KANUGA ANNOUNCES PROMOTION DIRECTOR

The Rev. Monroe M. Ashley recently joined the Kanuga Conferences staff as Director of Promotion.

Mr. Ashley is responsible for promoting the total program at Kanuga, Hendersonville, N.C. This includes the Christian Education, Adult and Young People's Conferences in the summer. In addition to these conferences, there are: a six-week summer Guest Period for families, "See the Leaves" emphasis in the fall, and "Spring-time at Kanuga" in April. Camp Kanuga for Boys and Girls operates all summer. Parish Family Weekends and various conferences by diverse groups round out Kanuga's busy calendar.

Mr. Ashley comes to Kanuga after five years as Director of Camp Ridgecrest for Boys in Ridgecrest, N.C. He has also served as a Management Consultant, University Chaplain and Parish Minister.



Discussing the proposed budget at Executive Council meeting were, left to right, Wallace Murchison, the Rev. Jim Cooke, Dr. William Powell and Mrs. Sam Hutaff.

## Budget A Cacophony of Needs

by Carol Hammond

[Ed. Note: This is a subjective report of the February Executive Council meeting. The feelings and opinions in the article are those of the writer.]

Members of the Executive Council and guests gathered at the Diocesan House in Wilmington on a chilly Tuesday morning exchanging greetings and trading tales of the rigors of finding enough gas for the trip. The Bishop observed that it was the largest turnout for Executive Council in some time.

After coffee and doughnuts we filed into the Bishop's office for the meeting. The dark-paneled room is filled with lush green plants, but it hardly had a hot-house atmosphere with the thermostat patriotically set at 65 degrees!

Bishop Elebash introduced the lengthy agenda — this was the "budget meeting" of the Council. After each report he graciously announced, "We receive that report with thanks."

When the time came for budget presentation, Wallace Murchison, chairman of the Department of Finance, asked for "fifteen minutes without interruption", and laid his watch on the table.

Mr. Murchison presented the budget as a "stand-still, hold-the-line budget." The Finance Department had been presented with the familiar problem of too many needs to fill with too little money. "One good feature," he pointed out optimistically — "it balances!"

There was animated discussion about the budget, about where to find money for the Christian Social Relations Committee whose funds had been cut altogether, which led to a debate of "inside vs. outside" giving. The Department of Finance, because of the limited funds available, had made a decision to increase the salaries of diocesan personnel by only 5%, instead of the recommended 8%. The furor over that matter was cut short when the Rev. Ben Wolverton made a formal motion that salaries of diocesan personnel be increased by 8% in 1974.

Mr. Wolverton's motion made it necessary for the "figure men" to get the statistics together on how much such a raise would cost, and the committee had a need to proceed with the agenda. So while Mr. Murchison, Mr. Jeffress, and Mr. Walter Jones literally put their heads together over the budget (with frequent advisories by the Bishop), Mr. Nelson Taylor presented his report on the Alice Hoffman center as if he were totally oblivious to the rising and falling strains of the budget conference. It made a veritable symphony (cacophony, perhaps) of conversation!

When the Alice Hoffman report had been received "with thanks" and the Finance Committee had completed its deliberations, Mr. Murchison took the opportunity to speak in opposition to the motion. (His feeling was that each individual giver is more concerned about himself and his own pleasures than about giving.) "The same parochialism is besetting us at the Diocesan level," he observed. Local churches reduce their giving to the diocese, which in turn reduces its outside giving.

Someone wondered aloud if mission clergy can be asked to sacrifice for the national church, and the "inside/outside" debate raged again.

The Rev. Jim Cooke quietly suggested that while his *feeling* was with the mission clergy he felt a principle was at stake, and that "the diocese can set an example about outside giving."

Eventually, painfully, the motion was defeated.

This is the point at which I must editorialize! If each parishioner could feel and come to understand just a little of the pain and struggle associated with the allocation of too little money for so many *real* needs he might dig a little deeper into the pocket at Every Member Canvass Time. The real problem should *not* belong to the Department of Finance or to the Executive Council, but to each communicant in the Diocese of East Carolina.

During the afternoon session the Rev. Tom Midyette asked permission to solicit extra funds from the local parishes to fill this need to increase the salaries of diocesan personnel. It was granted.

The Council adjourned late in the afternoon after a busy, frustrating, and productive day with farewells of "See you at the convention."

## Herald Gets New Name

CROSS CURRENT has been chosen as the new name for THE MISSION HERALD, official diocesan publication. An anonymous committee, chosen by John D. Ashford, editor of the monthly newspaper, picked CROSS CURRENT from a large group of entries. Mrs. J. William Brown, wife of a senior student at Virginia Theological Seminary, submitted the winning title.

Using the Cross "to represent Our Risen Lord" and the Current "to represent His love flowing to and from us", LaVerne Brown stated that the title also suggests up to date news and an overlapping of

opinions and thoughts in the diocese. She used a similar title in editing a seminary wives' newsletter for two years. That paper is no longer being printed.

Mrs. Brown is now employed by the Department of Labor in Washington, D. C., working with a research and demonstration project under the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

Anxiously awaiting word as to where they will be assigned this summer upon graduation from the Seminary, the Browns are looking forward to bringing their family back to Eastern North Carolina.

## New Rules Set For Camp Leach

All events involving Junior and Senior High young people at Camp Leach will be subject to new rules worked out by the Youth Ministry Task Force, a group composed of a Youth Council and an Adult Advisory Board. The Rev. John Moulton, chairman, announces that the rules will be presented at the beginning of each conference, and all present will be asked to agree to abide by them, or will be asked to leave.

The first understanding is for full participation by each person in all the program and time together at the event. Other rules affecting camp life will include no drugs or alcohol illegally used at Camp Leach, no leaving camp property at any time, no riding in automobiles unless authorized, no swimming unless a certified lifeguard is present, and no boys and girls together in bedrooms.

At events with 7th and 8th graders bedtime will never be later than 12 p.m. At events involving older teens bedtime will be negotiable. In no case will there be passing back and forth between rooms after midnight. Groups may stay up later only if permission is granted by the director, an adult advisor is present, and the group stays together in the main area of the conference center.

If these understandings and rules are broken, the director of the event will make a decision as to what should be done, ranging from immediate dismissal from the conference to reprimanding the individual.

"Trust is a two way street. It is not automatic — it is the mark of a good relationship. It is not something that adults accord youth as a matter of fact. It must be worked on continuously by all present," stated Mr. Moulton.

## CANDID COMMENTS ON BISHOP'S TALK

"What was your reaction to the Bishop's address?" Following are assorted answers:

"I think his great strength and leadership were extremely evident in what he had to say and the way he said it." Mrs. Marie Page, St. Mary's, Kinston. "I was very impressed with it. It was organized and to the point." Dr. Allen Hornthal, St. Paul's, Edenton.

"I was looking for something more directional." Vernon H. Rochelle, St. Mary's, Kinston. "The Bishop spoke with a note of cautious optimism which seems realistic and true to the day and age the Church lives in." The Rev. William Gilfillin, St.

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John's, Wilmington. "I think that his praise of the diocese and the unanimity that is felt is *real* for the first time in East Carolina." The Rev. Tom Midyette, St. Paul's, Beaufort. "The thing that really appealed to me was his concern for the broad mission of the Church to all people." The Rev. William Deneke, St. Philip's, Southport.

"It gave us an accurate description of diocesan life and spiritual goals for which we might strive." The Rev. Robert Cook, St. James, Wilmington. "It was worthy of note — will it be published in the Journal? It should be read by everyone in the Diocese. I was so impressed by the Bishop speaking so positively to so many concerns of the Church. I'm really elated that the Bishop understands that the Church must be involved in every aspect of life, and that he is directing us all in that involvement. I was really taken by his acknowledging the presence of the Holy Spirit at work in the Diocese." The Rev. Al Heath, St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

Most of the constructive criticism expressed by some who did not wish to be quoted was in the area of "I wanted more". One clergyman observed that his disappointment probably came from his own expectations — "My expectation was that I was going to hear a sermon and not an address." A concerned layman explained that he felt it was more a review of the past year than a challenge for the new one. Another clergyman seemed to wish for more development of the Holy Spirit theme.

The consensus seems to be that the people want leadership and inspiration in large doses in 1974.

## Bookcase

by Jack Ormond

*Sacred and Secular.*

A study in the otherworldly and this-worldly aspects of Christianity; Authur Michael Ramsey, Archbishop of Canterbury, Longmans, Green & Co., Ltd. 1965-67; under \$3, 77 pages.

Present conditions in this country affecting the human spirit are causing persons to look outside the areas of politics and economics for the green pastures of the soul's restoration. Authur Michael Ramsey, Archbishop of Canterbury, writes about where the green pastures are in the broad spectrum of the sacred as well as the secular.

His tiny book (77 pages) points the reader to the ultimate meanings and significance to be found in what is declared to be the sacred and the secular. The devaluation of these two realms by those who do not know them or understand them as mighty acts of God and great gifts of God is so much a part of the present moment.

The author tours the Bible with skill and ease in indicating how easily persons enjoy God's good gifts and also get caught by them in forgetfulness of the giver.

The native inclinations of man towards mysticism and the assumptions behind them are portrayed when the promise of Jesus is taken seriously: "If a man love me, he will keep my word; and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." (St. John 14:23).

What is the mysticism of a Christian like? Reassuring is the archbishop's reply about the observed effect of a contemplative experience of God being not so much to make a person long for more experience of the same sort, but rather to make a man long for God and to do what is pleasing to Him in everyday life. The author refers to the reticence practiced by authentic mystics beginning with St. Paul. That contrasts strikingly with some contemporary "mystics" who speak widely and write much about mystical experience.

Often the question is heard: why doesn't the Church do something in the matter of prayer and in teaching the approaches to meditation, contemplation and responsible mysticism based upon doing the will of God day by day?

Archbishop Ramsey says much in few words concerning what the Church has done, can do and does do. Perhaps his message in *Sacred and Secular* for the 1970's can be interpreted to mean that the Church is the community and the site for persons who hunger and thirst for God in whatever degree.



## '74 BUDGET

(continued from page 1, column 1)

a financial report of the diocese for 1973, with a balance on hand of \$6,242.10 as of December 31. This balance was attributed to 12 month funds provided for the Director of Youth and for the Department of Communication, with the director not employed until September, and Communications not reorganized until early fall, thus not expending funds allotted.

Results of the Diocesan Stewardship campaign were reported by the Rev. C. Thomas Midyette, Beaufort. Total increase in pledging for 1974 is \$13,213.60, with 18 parishes increasing their giving, 3 decreasing, and 11 remaining the same. Aided parishes had 6 increases, 1 decrease; and missions had 9 increased pledges, 4 decreased and 19 remaining the same, for a total of \$11,328.60. Mr. Midyette reported \$1,885 was the response from a special request made to the churches in the diocese by the Department of Communication and Stewardship at the urging of the Executive Council, in order to meet the 8% increase in salary to diocesan personnel. It was pointed out that the cost of living rose 8.8% last year, and this was a "hold the line" raise.

Thurmond Williams, Fayetteville, president of the Foundation of the Diocese, indicated that the Foundation's major investments are in the stock market, and that the value of the trust this year had decreased 15%, which while not being a favorable situation, nevertheless compared favorably to the overall 37% average decrease in the stock market. Mr. Williams indicated that the Foundation expected an increase of \$5,000 in income from the trust over last year, which brings total income from the Foundation to the diocese up to \$77,500.



Miss Debbie Stokes and Miss Mary Joe White entertain at banquet (left, above), and delegates enjoy Christian Ed "bash" (above).

## Kirton, Taylor Serve On National Committee

Walker Taylor and the Rev. Dr. Edwin Kirton, both of Wilmington, have been appointed to serve on the Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church.

East Carolina is the only diocese among the nine provinces of the national Church which has two members serving on the committee. Dr. Kirton was appointed from the Fourth Province and Mr. Taylor as chairman of the Finance Committee of the Executive Council. The committee is composed of nine Bishops, nine other clergy and 18 lay persons.

## Kaleidoscope

Last summer's program at Camp Oceanside was carried out on an expenditure of \$3,548, of which the diocese contributed \$1,000. This year a steel sink for \$392, an electric booster for \$120, a new roof on the dining hall, new tables, mattresses and repair of rotting window sills are urgent needs. Nothing is included in the budget for maintenance.

Twenty-five per cent of the young people attending the camp are not Episcopalians, according to the Rev. Dr. Edwin Kirton, director for many years. This program is a way to reach out to disadvantaged children, mainly from the Wilmington area. If you would like to contribute toward any of the maintenance items, drop a line to Dr. Kirton, P. O. Box 354, Wilmington, N. C. 28401.

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St. John's, Fayetteville, will continue its series of Lenten speakers with the Rev. Josh MacKenzie, rector of St. Andrew's, Rocky Mount on March 26, and the Rev. Martin Caldwell, rector of Emmanuel Church, Southern Pines on April 2. Noon services are followed by a businessman's luncheon in the Parish Hall. Other speakers have been the Rev. Frank Pisani, D.D., President of St. Mary's Junior College in Raleigh; the Rev. C. Edward Sharp, rector, Christ Church, New Bern; and the Rev. Nathaniel Hynson, rector, St. Anne's Church, Jacksonville.

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St. Thomas' Church, Ahoskie, has sponsored Lenten speakers every Wednesday evening at 7:30 P.M. Bishop John B. Bentley, retired Bishop of Alaska was the first speaker with the Rev. Webster L. Simons of St. John's, Wilmington, and the Rev. Thomas H. Markley of the Church of the Epiphany, Danville, Va. following. The Rev. John J. Ormond of St. Francis, Goldsboro, and Bishop Thomas H. Wright, retired Bishop of East Carolina, will be the last two speakers.

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The 12 acolytes of St. Thomas Church, Ahoskie, N. C., observed "A Genius at Work" when the Reverend Stanleigh Jenkins prepared and baked his special "secret recipe" for hot cakes and sausages on Saturday, February 2nd. T. T. Tucker served as his assistant. After many, many hot-cakes, sausages and Pepsi colas, Mr. Jenkins held a class of instruction for the young Churchmen.

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Sunday, February 17th, Bishop Elebash confirmed 12 persons at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Ahoskie, N. C. It was a great day in many ways. It was good to have the Bishop and "Dink" for the annual visitation for confirmation of the largest class to be presented in the history of St. Thomas Church. After the service the congregation enjoyed a covered dish luncheon in the parish house.

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The Porter-Gaud Episcopal School Choir of Charleston, S. C., will sing for their supper April 10th at Holy Trinity, Fayetteville. The 45 member choir will be on the way to perform at the Washington Cathedral in the District of Columbia during Easter Week. The Rev. Charles Furlow, chaplain of the school, will accompany the group. Holy Trinity parishioners will house the boys.

## LEACH, OCEANSIDE PROGRAMS SET

Sessions at Camps Leach and Oceanside have been set by the Rev. Jesse Gaither, director of Camps and Conferences. For your convenience an application form is listed below. Just clip and mail.

### CAMP LEACH

Please check camp you plan to attend.

REGISTER ON THE BASIS OF GRADE IN SCHOOL FOR THE COMING YEAR.

( ) Junior High	JUNE 11 - JUNE 22	Grades 8 - 9
( ) Junior I	JUNE 25 - JULY 6	Grades 6 - 7
( ) Midget I	JULY 9 - JULY 20	Grades 4 - 5
( ) Junior II	JULY 23 - AUGUST 3	Grades 6 - 7
( ) Midget II	AUGUST 6 - AUGUST 17	Grades 4 - 5

Enclose registration fee \$15.00. Make checks payable to: CAMP LEACH

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Mrs. Wendy Raynor	CAMP LEACH:	Registration Fee \$15
Assistant to Manager		Balance 75
P. O. Box 10		Total \$90
Pinetown, N. C. 27865		

### CAMP OCEANSIDE

Please check session you plan to attend. Register on the basis of present age.

( ) Session I	JUNE 16 - JUNE 28	Ages 9 - 11
( ) Session II	JUNE 30 - JULY 12	Ages 12 - 15

Enclose registration fee \$5.00. Make checks payable to: CAMP OCEANSIDE.

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 (Month, day & Year)

CHURCH AFFILIATION \_\_\_\_\_ BAPTIZED \_\_\_\_\_ CONFIRMED \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF CAMPER \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of Parent or Guardian)

RECOMMENDED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of Episcopal Clergyman)

MAILING DATE OF APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_



## Bishop's Travels

March 10	St. Paul's, Beaufort
March 11-15	Lenten Preaching, Church of Advent, Birmingham, Alabama
March 17	Church of Servant, Wilmington, in Morning; Trinity, Lumberton, at 6 P.M.
March 22-23	Kanuga Board
March 24	Grace Church, Whiteville
March 25	Ordination of the Rev. Joe Arps, St. Paul's, Greenville
March 26	Clergy Conference, Church of Advent, Williamston
March 29	Executive Council, Holy Trinity, Fayetteville
March 31	St. Paul's, Greenville
April 1	Ordination of the Rev. David Bena, Christ Church, New Bern
April 4	Ordination of the Rev. Phil Purser, Holy Trinity, Hertford
April 7	St. James, Wilmington
April 14	To be announced
April 21	St. Paul's, Fayetteville
April 28	Holy Trinity, Fayetteville

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